



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: January 31, 2012

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair, Transportation and Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: **Issuance of Request for Proposals for Mattress Collection and Recycling.**

Recommendation:

That the appropriate City Officials be directed to issue a Request for Proposal for the Collection of Mattresses and Recycling.

Previous Directives:

None

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Approved by: _____

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Presenters: Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Nothing required at this time

City Goals: Eco-Focused

Comprehensive Plan: Consistent

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

Public Works must change the disposal process for mattresses collected in the City of Minneapolis due to Hennepin County changing its means of disposal. This spring, Hennepin County will no longer accept mattresses for disposal. The City generates about 36,400 mattresses per year that require disposal.

Currently, the City disposes of mattresses using two methods. Approximately 50% of the waste mattresses are picked up by Public Works Solid Waste and Recycling Services and disposed of at the Hennepin Energy Recovery Center (HERC). The other 50% of the city's mattress volume is presently is picked up by a Hennepin County contractor, PPL, Industries and the mattress contents are then recycled. Hennepin County will no longer be funding the mattress program.

Recycled content of the mattresses and City cost for disposal are factors that influence the decision to proceed with the RFP process to ensure that the City's needs are met.

Staff recommends that a Request for Proposal be issued for mattress collection and recycling, pending approval of the PRC committee.

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