



Roll Call Number

25-0843

Agenda Item Number

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Date June 9, 2025

**APPROVING RECYCLABLES PROCESSING AND MARKETING SERVICE AGREEMENT  
WITH METRO WASTE AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department provides a number of services including the curbside collection for the processing of recyclables, and requires single-stream recycling services to receive, process and market recyclable materials collected by the Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Metro Waste Authority is a public entity organized pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 28E for the purpose of providing solid waste services including single-stream recycling through its Material Recovery Facility, and has agreed to provide such services to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2023, by Roll Call No. 23-1264, the City Council approved a Recyclables Processing and Marketing Service Agreement, which Agreement is effective retroactively to November 1, 2021 to align with the timing of commencement of services, and with the City paying to Metro Waste Authority a processing fee equal to \$85.00 per ton of all material entering the Material Recovery Facility with an outstanding balance to be paid in the amount of \$779,000 and an estimated annual cost of \$765,000, in exchange for the recycling services provided by Metro Waste Authority, and which Agreement, as amended, expires on June 30, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department and Metro Waste Authority have negotiated a Recyclables Processing and Marketing Service Agreement, on file in the office of the City Clerk, which Agreement is effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028, with the option for consecutive one-year renewals, and with the City paying to Metro Waste Authority a processing fee equal to \$96.00 per ton of all material entering the Material Recovery Facility for the first year of the Agreement and an estimated annual cost of \$765,000, in exchange for the recycling services provided by Metro Waste Authority.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. The City of Des Moines and Metro Waste Authority Recyclables Processing and Marketing Service Agreement, in an estimated total amount of \$300,000 annually after rebate until June 30, 2028, and for consecutive one-year renewal options thereafter, is hereby approved and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.
2. The Public Works Department Director is authorized and directed to administer and monitor the Agreement for compliance with its terms, and to approve and execute renewal addenda.



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(Council Communication No. 25-240)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Second by Voss.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank

Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Connie Breen

Mayor

### CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk