



February 28, 2022

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council
City of Warrensburg, Missouri

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

SUBJECT: A resolution setting forth the city's intention for residential single- and multi-family, commercial, self-contained and roll off solid waste disposal services in the City of Warrensburg and providing notice to current providers as provided in Section 260.247 RSMO.

BACKGROUND:

Heartland Waste was acquired by Republic Services in summer 2021. Heartland Waste was the primary solid waste hauler for single- and multi-family residences and commercial businesses in the city. For the last several months, residents and businesses alike experienced delays and lapses in solid waste services.

ISSUES:

At the October 25, 2021 work session of the City Council, staff reviewed the city's current solid waste plan from 1993 and solid waste study and recommendations from 2007. City Council directed staff to look for grant opportunities to fund a new solid waste study/plan.

Solid Waste Management District, Region F is currently accepting applications for grants through March 15, 2022. Staff met with representatives from Region F to discuss an application for a solid waste study/plan. One of the recommendations from the 2007 study was for the city to enter into a citywide contract for solid waste services. However, the community was not interested in a citywide contract at the time. A new solid waste study/plan will likely have the same recommendation.

If awarded the grant, staff anticipates the completion of the study in late fall. If City Council decides to move forward with a citywide contract based on the recommendations from the solid waste study/plan, a two-year notice is required by state statute. Giving notice now does not require the City to move forward with a citywide contract, but it does start the two-year clock.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Focus II: Community pride and interaction

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of moving towards a citywide contract will be detailed in the solid waste study/plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt resolution.

Sincerely,

Danielle Dulin
City Manager

Attachments: Resolution