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MEMO

TO: Solid Waste Task Force

Members: Stephan Deleski, Abduallahi Omar, Don Williamson, Tom Amberg, Linda Mathiasen, Jason Dougherty, Charly Leuze, Joline Hovland, and Tim Johnson.

FROM: Megan M. DeSchepper, AICP, Planner/Airport Manager MMD

DATE: August 28, 2013

SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 4, 2013 MEETING

The Mayor appointed Solid Waste Task Force will meet at 4:45 p.m., in Conference Room #1 (main level) of the City Office Building. Please call me at 214-5195 if you cannot attend.

1. Summary Notes. *
2. Use (i.e. commercial or residential) bagging requirements (oils, butcher waste)
3. Frequency of pick-up.
4. Nonpayment overflow issues.
5. Leasing of garbage storage space.
6. Licensing provisions (County, Dept. Ag).
7. Enforcement.
8. Violations, fines.

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Solid Waste Task Force Meeting Summary- August 14, 2013

Members Present: Stephen Deleski, Charly Leuze, Tom Amberg, Don Williamson, Megan DeSchepper-Planner/Airport Manager.

Members Absent: Joline Hovland, Abduallahi Omar, Linda Mathiasen, Jason Dougherty, and Tim Johnson.

- The task force reviewed the summary notes.
- Garbage not being appropriately stored causing a nuisance was discussed, and could it be dealt with just like unkempt lawns, snow on sidewalks etc. The task force talked about administrative citations and if that's not permitted perhaps giving the power to the CSO to ticket for garbage violations. Administrative hearings were discussed to keep things from slowing down in the court system. The group asked staff to look into the legality of the process for the next meeting.
- Fly tight lids were discussed. The task force talked about the fact that nothing is absolutely fly tight as the plastic lids warp in the elements. They preferred the definition of proper storage containers in the City of Hutchinson's Ordinance.
- The task force thought that the regulations on residential can storage at the curb 8 p.m. the night before until pick up etc. is appropriate. They discussed fully screened at length when stored in rear or side yard and that that would be very difficult to enforce. They then talked about commercial storage and how to define front/back yard on properties like the mall that have streets on multiple sides etc. The Landscape Ordinance requires plantings or screenings, but old existing properties do not meet those standards. The task force talked about setback from buildings, which is really only an issue in the CBD where buildings are built so close together. They felt it'd be too restrictive and impossible to enforce.
- Screening was discussed and the definition of 75% opacity with either plantings or fencing is adequate.
- The task force then talked about the size of cans in residential areas which are 35 gallon, 65 gallon, and 95 gallon good neighbor cans. Then dumpsters in residential areas were discussed, permissible for apartment complexes and group homes. Perhaps no dumpsters in R-1 and R-2 instead multiple carts when needed, but allow them in R-3 to R-5 zoning. Commercial dumpsters can be from 2 yard to 10 yards in size.
- The next task force meeting will be September 4, 2013 at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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