TRASH SUBCOMMITTEE July 18, 2011 Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

Mayor Busch called to order the meeting of the Trash Subcommittee at 6:09 p.m. on July 18, 2011 in the City of El Segundo, Council Chambers, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245. The meeting location was moved from the West Conference Room to Council Chambers due to the number of people attending the meeting.

II. Roll Call

The following Trash Subcommittee members were present:

- Mayor Busch
- Councilmember Carl Jacobson
- Jim Boulgarides, Resident Member
- Karl Bruskotter, Resident Member
- Jill Moeller, Resident, Member

The following staff person was present

• Stephanie Katsouleas, City of El Segundo Public Works Director

The following Trash Subcommittee member was absent:

• Lesli Kendall, Center Street School, El Segundo School District, Member (for Dickie Van Breene)

III. Public Communications

- Marc Rener ES Resident: "Don't rock the boat" Consolidated has been part of our town for a long time. They have never raised their rates. This project has been going on for eight months. He just experienced excellent service with a broken hot water heater. It was picked up by Consolidated within hours of the request. I support Consolidated. Lets get this done and over with by the next council meeting.
- Jane Friedkin 44 yr resident. She has been very pleased with the current service for many years. Her hauler is extremely polite and has helped her carry heavy items to the curb.
- Liz Garnholz Is very happy with the trash pick-up she has. She thinks it is one of the best bargains the City has. Consolidated goes the "extra mile" without asking for more money. "If it ain't broke don't mess with it." She would appreciate not spending any more time on the issue.
- Peggy Tyrell ES Resident: I want to voice my appreciation for the company and the good job they do. She doesn't want large trash bins.
- Marilyn Hitchforn 8 Year resident: She is delighted with the current service in El Segundo.
- Gary Clifford COO Athens Services: Stated that he found it curious that the new bid from the current hauler is less than what El Segundo was previously paying. He is also curious about the "blanks cells" from the other haulers on the grid sheet given that the RFP stated that all boxes must be filled out. Considering those blank spaces,

- he feels like Athens is very competitive. He thanked the City for allowing them to participate.
- James Castro Republic Services (Consolidated): They want to clarify that Consolidated was responsive to the blanks in that they were identified as "included" on its bid sheet and the City fully understood that. They are here to be a resource for the City and looking forward to a continued partnership.

IV. Consent Agenda Items

• Jim Boulgarides made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 13,2011 Trash Subcommittee meeting, Councilmember Jacobson seconded the motion. Passed: 5-0.

V. New Business

- Staff report from Stephanie Katsouleas: Katsouleas provided an overview of the waste hauler selection process to date. The contract with the current hauler expires on August 1st. City Council opted not to extend the current contract because Consolidated had been the City's hauler for more than 17 years without competitive bidding. Council directed staff write and release an RFP using internal resources and instructed staff to obtain bids for exactly the same services currently received for three and seven year terms. The RFP was released on May 20, 2011. The summary table circulated at the meeting provides an "apples to apples" comparison of the four bids received. Addressing Mr. Clifford's comment made during public comment, Katsouleas stated that each company had in fact responded to every blank but wherever the service was identified as "included" the cell was left blank for calculation purposes. The low bid (from Consolidated) (3 year pricing option) is \$164,569 less per year than the current rate being paid to Consolidated for the services received.
- Mayor Busch: When comparing the annual rates from the four bidders, the prices ranged from \$482,350 \$749,485
- Councilmember Jacobson: Analyzed and found Consolidated to be the cheapest. He also felt no one "stood out" in any other area over the other bidders
- Jim Boulgarides: By going to bid and going through the process we just did, we saved the city \$1,000,000 over seven years just wanting to clarify.
- Mayor Busch: Liked that Consolidated would be switching to alternative fuel vehicles soon.
- Jim Boulgarides: Impressed with Athens bid and the effort they put into it.
- Mayor Busch commended Consolidated on the highest diversion rate of 75%.
- Karl Bruskotter: Very impressed with the attention to detail.
- Jill Moeller: All proposals included the services needed but Consolidated was the least expensive, but it was noted that WM had offered to host the twice yearly composting classes the City can no longer afford to do.
- Mayor Busch made a motion to go to council with a recommendation to accept the Consolidated as the lowest bid and to ensure that the new contract included a provision allowing the City to negotiate any potential additional services in the future over the duration of the contract. Jim Boulgarides seconded the motion. Passed 5-0.

VI. Public Communications

- James Castro (Consolidated): Thanked the City and appreciated everyone's input.
- Mark Rener: Stated he thought that staying with consolidated showed loyalty and appreciated other bidders participation.
- Jane Friedkin: Thanked the trash committee for its work.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m. Minutes submitted by Jill Moeller