

Minutes
City of Venice
Solid Waste and Recycling Stakeholders' Work Group
February 22, 2019

The Solid Waste and Recycling Stakeholders' Work Group met on February 22, 2019 at 1:00 PM in the Public Works Administration Conference Room.

1. Call to Order

- A. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 with the following members present; Lee Lichtle, Tony Pinzone, Jack Oros, Debra Reynolds, John Hinshaw, Mike Pachota, and Fred Francis. City of Venice staff present; James Clinch, Bob Moroni, and Susan Carpenter from Public Works, and Joe Welch from Finance.

2. Approval of Minutes

- A. Lee Lichtle made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting and it was seconded by Fred Francis and passed unanimously.

3. New Business

- A. **Goals and Roles of the Work Group.** James discussed centering meetings around different topics of interest and importance with the topics concerning budget to be discussed first. Once all the topics have been considered, the Group will make their recommendations and possibly participating in city council meetings to present recommendations.
- B. **Update on solid waste facility relocate.** James updated the Group about discussions that have taken place with Sarasota County regarding a land lease to build a new solid waste facility. James let the group know that discussions were very slow and the first offer by the County was rejected due to many factors. The city has since answered the county's offer with their own and currently the city is waiting for the county's response. Tony Pinzone requested that James get in touch with the county to try to expedite a response.
- C. **Roll-off Program – Cost of Service Revenue.** Joe Welch gave his presentation of the cost of service review for roll-offs. It was mentioned that there still might exist a shortfall in revenues, however Joe pointed out that when you look at all revenues, solid waste and recycling, the funds together may show a profit. Different program options to increase roll-off revenues were discussed such as charging for deliveries and private hauler permit fees. The Group was in agreement with these concepts and request staff to go into more detail in the future. Tony Pinzone wanted to extend his gratitude to Joe Welch for all his work creating easy to understand financial documents.

1. **Motion.** Tony Pinzon made a motion to direct staff to proceed with the private hauler permit fee process. The motion was seconded by Lee Lichtle and passed unanimously.
2. **Motion.** Jack Oros made a motion to charge new homeowners for an automated garbage collection cart upon receiving an occupancy permit. It was seconded by Mike Pachota and passed unanimously.
3. **Motion.** Jack Oros made a motion to direct staff to begin charging a \$100 delivery and relocation fee for roll-off containers. Charge to begin when appropriate. Motion was seconded by Mike Pachota and passed unanimously.
- D. **Solid Waste Impact Fee.** Joe Welch updated the Group on research he had done on this topic. Joe found other cities with such a fee. The details were briefly discussed; however, it was decided to wait on any further research in favor of less complicated and less restrictive methods to raise revenues.
- E. **Single Stream Recycling.** James gave a brief presentation about the future of the city's recycling program. More discussions on this topic will take place at the next meeting.

4. Audience Participation.

- A. There was no audience participation.

5. The Next Meeting will take place on March 15, 2019 at 1:00

6. Adjournment

- A. The meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM