

## **May 13, 2021 – Garbage and Recycling Advisory Committee Summary**

### **Meeting Topics:**

Staff presented two action items regarding the proposed renewal of the Recology Oregon Compost, Inc. Franchise Agreement and the garbage and recycling collection rate review.

**Action Item #1:** Proposed Franchise Agreement renewal with Recology Oregon Compost, Inc.

### **Recommended Action by Staff:**

Staff recommended that the Garbage and Recycling Advisory Committee favorably recommend that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approve the renewal of the Washington County solid waste franchise agreement currently issued to Recology Oregon Compost, Inc. to operate the Recology Organics – North Plains compost facility for a term of five years, through June 19, 2026.

### **Action #1 taken by the Committee:**

The Garbage and Recycling Advisory Committee voted to recommend that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approve the Recology Franchise, as outlined in the staff report.

The motion: **“Advise the County Commissioners to approve the Franchise Agreement renewal for another five years with Recology.”**

The motion passed six in favor and one member abstaining.

**Action Item # 2:** Proposed Garbage & Recycling Collection Rate Increase

### **Recommended Action by Staff:**

Staff recommended the following rate adjustments, as outlined in Option #1 of the staff report, become effective July 1, 2021, upon approval by the Washington County Board of Commissioners:

- 11.4% increase for residential rates
- 4.2% increase for commercial rates
- 2.96% decrease for drop box/compactor rates
- Additional yard debris cart rate increases to \$4.24 per month
- Commercial container/cart clean-out rate of \$16.00 per occurrence

Additionally, staff recommended that urban commercial food scraps collection service be bundled with urban garbage and recycling collection service, effective March 31, 2022.

### **Action #2 taken by the Committee:**

The Garbage and Recycling Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approve the garbage and recycling collection rate changes, as described in the staff report.

The motion: **“Recommend to the Commissioners that they accept the Staff Report Option #1.”**

**Committee Members present for the May 13, 2021 meeting:**

Public Members: Kenneth Foote, Sue Shade, Ashvin Nagaraja, Sandra Smith

Industry Members: Vinod Singh, Beth Vargas Duncan, Carl Peters

HHS Staff Non-Voting Member: Thomas Egleston

Staff in attendance

HHS Staff: Kathy Folsom, Senior Policy Coordinator; Erin Stein, Operations Supervisor

Committee Members absent for the May 13, 2021 meeting:

Kathy Christy, Public Member