

City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Services and Sustainability

ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

DATE: April 23, 2024

SUBJECT

Conduct a tour for members of the Committee on the Environment (COE) and Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee (SFAC) of the Pratt Recycling, Inc. facility located at 1401 S. Mayhill Road, Denton, Texas.

BACKGROUND

The City of Denton has a public-private partnership with Pratt Recycling, Inc. (Pratt), the exclusive Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) for the City of Denton. Pratt is responsible for the sorting, processing, and finding of end markets for material that is received from Denton customers. The City of Denton's Solid Waste & Recycling Department is responsible for the collection of programmatic material and the recycling outreach and education to Denton residents and commercial customers. Pratt also processes recycling from neighboring communities, and the facility is used as an educational tool, providing tours to the public that offer guidance for what is and is not accepted in Denton's recycling program. While many items may have a recycling symbol it does not mean that it is programmatic material. Tours educate and address what Denton's program specifically accepts.

Tours of the MRF are an important outreach method to create behavior change in recycling. Reducing contamination in Denton's recycling stream aligns with goals such as landfill diversion and other strategies outlined in the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Strategy. Community leaders and the public alike need to see firsthand and understand how recycling is processed and sorted right here in Denton.

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet

Respectfully submitted: Julissa Amador Senior Program Coordinator