



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Solid Waste & Recycling Department

**CM/ DCM/ ACM:** Mario Canizares

**DATE:** July 18, 2017

### **SUBJECT**

Consider adoption of an ordinance approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Denton, Texas and the City of Irving, Texas to transfer ground mulch product between Irving and Denton and provide support in solid waste emergency operations, as appropriate. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (7-0).

### **BACKGROUND**

This Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Denton and the City of Irving allows for in kind emergency access to each city's landfill and the use of each city's equipment in the event of natural disasters, unexpected operational issues, and other unforeseen challenges. The emergency use of equipment will be permitted only when it does not cause a negative impact to the operations of the owning city. For use of equipment, each city agrees to pay a negotiated rental rate, and the renting city will be responsible for preventative maintenance during the rental period. In emergency circumstances, each city agrees to pay the lowest wholesale rate per ton of waste hauled to the other city's landfill. By entering into this agreement, the cities agree to consider any reasonable request from the other to address urgent or emergency situations.

The agreement also allows each city access to one another's excess inventory of ground mulch. While the agreement provides access to ground mulch, neither city is obligated to provide or accept the mulch as a condition of the agreement. The City of Denton's Solid Waste Department utilizes ground mulch in its composting operation, and when combined with liquid waste, the mulch can also be utilized as a feedstock material to enhance waste decomposition in the Enhanced Leachate Recirculation (ELR) landfill cells.

### **PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)**

On June 12, 2017, the Public Utilities Board recommended approval to forward this item to the City Council for consideration.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the approval of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Irving.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

Use of the City of Irving's landfill or equipment will be expensed from the Solid Waste operating fund as an equipment rental expense (7802). The City of Irving's use of the Solid Waste Department's landfill or equipment will be recognized as landfill wholesale (5341) and miscellaneous revenue (8151) respectively.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP**

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

**Related Key Focus Area: Organizational Excellence**

**Related Goal: 1.6 Collaborate with local, regional, state, and federal partners**

## **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 – Interlocal Cooperation Agreement

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Ethan Cox, 349-7421  
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