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#### AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Solid Waste & Recycling Department

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

**DATE:** November 6, 2017

### **SUBJECT**

Receive a presentation and hold a discussion regarding multifamily recycling and waste diversion strategies.

## **BACKGROUND**

During the September 11, 2017 meeting of the Council Committee on the Environment (COE), Solid Waste staff presented an overview of the City of Denton's Solid Waste ordinances, codes, and policies. The intent of the presentation was to initiate a conversation on future policy direction regarding recycling and waste diversion. During the discussion, the COE recommended that staff include verbiage in the Denton Development Code (DDC) to require future developments to build revetments that accommodate containers for both refuse and recycling. The COE also expressed interest in developing a recycling ordinance similar to those implemented in other communities and requested that staff report back with recommendations.

This item will expand on prior discussions by reviewing the results from Solid Waste's recent efforts to increase multifamily recycling accessibility. Staff will present the COE with information collected from other cities during a recent benchmarking effort. Finally, staff will provide recommendations to improve recycling accessibility for multifamily tenants and request direction from the COE on the proposed strategy and its intended outcomes.

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

September 11, 2017 – Council Committee on the Environment discussion regarding Solid Waste policies

May 19, 2017 – Informal Staff Report to Council regarding strategies for increasing multifamily recycling March 6, 2017 – Council Committee on the Environment discussion regarding commercial and multifamily recycling

#### 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: Sustainable & Environmental Stewardship

Related Goal: 5.6 Promote sustainable materials resource management

# **EXHIBITS**

- 1. AIS
- 2. PowerPoint Presentation Solid Waste and Recycling Policy

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