

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor and City Council

From: Mindi Hurley, Director of Community Development

**Date:** July 8, 2025

**Reference:** Consider approval of a Restated Agreement with Allied Waste Services of Fort

Worth, LLC, doing business as Republic Services of Fort Worth, a Texas limited liability company, to provide Solid Waste, Recycling, and Household Hazardous Waste Collection services, effective October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2031,

and authorizing the City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

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## **Introduction:**

The purpose of this agenda item is to seek approval of a restated five-year agreement with Republic Services of Fort Worth, effective October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2031. The agreement continues the City of Coppell's current service levels while incorporating several operational improvements, including the transition from trash bags to wheeled carts and updates to the bulk waste collection schedule.

## **Background:**

The City of Coppell provides solid waste hauling services to its residents and businesses through an exclusive franchise agreement, which has been held by Republic Services for the past 11 years. This contract was competitively bid and awarded to Republic Services on July 22, 2014.

The agreement included an initial seven-year term ending October 31, 2021, with two optional five-year renewal periods. On October 13, 2020, the City exercised the first renewal option, extending the agreement through October 31, 2026. However, on March 26, 2024, Republic Services informed the City that they would not pursue a second renewal without implementing several service modifications, including transitioning from trash bags to carts and adjusting bulk waste collection from 2 cubic yards twice per week to 4 cubic yards once per week.

Following this notice, the City conducted an in-depth review of solid waste and recycling market conditions, comparing Republic's proposed terms to those offered in surrounding communities. The

City also considered resident feedback collected over several years. Based on this comprehensive evaluation, the City chose to remain with Republic Services to maintain current service levels and, where possible, improve the overall customer experience for Coppell residents.

The Restated Agreement maintains the existing service levels for residents and businesses, with several key updates aimed at improving efficiency and customer satisfaction. Residential trash collection will continue twice per week; however, customers will be required to use City-provided wheeled carts, replacing customer-owned bags or containers. Weekly recycling services will continue as currently provided, with no changes.

Bulk waste collection will shift from two cubic yards twice per week to a single weekly collection of four cubic yards. Bundled brush and bagged grass pickup will continue every Wednesday as scheduled. Residents will also retain access to monthly household hazardous waste collection and one free landfill visit per month.

The Restated Agreement includes several added benefits for the City of Coppell. Republic Services will provide, at no additional cost, trash and recycling collection for all City facilities, up to 12 roll-off containers per year, 180 cubic yards of mulch, and up to \$25,000 annually in services such as disaster debris collection. If the City does not utilize the full \$25,000 annual allowance, Republic Services will issue a reimbursement for the unused portion.

To ensure high-quality service and operational accountability, the agreement also requires Republic Services to maintain a fleet of trucks no older than 10 years, submit monthly commercial service reports, and deliver an annual update to the City Council.

This Restated Agreement reflects years of resident input and aligns with best practices adopted by neighboring cities, ensuring that Coppell continues to receive reliable, high-quality solid waste and recycling services.

The first-year residential rate under the new contract, effective October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2031, will be \$24.40 per month. Commercial rates and additional pricing details are outlined in the attached documents.

#### **Services Included:**

| Free City Services:                            | Unlimited                   |
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| Mulch:   | 180 Cubic Yards Per Year    |
| Eligible Disaster Debris Collection Allowance: | \$25,000 Per Year           |
| Trash Services:                                | 2X Per Week                 |
| Bulk Collection:                               | 1X Per Week – 4 Cubic Yards |
| Green Waste Recycling Collection:              | 1X Per Week                 |
| Recycling Services:                            | 1X Per Week                 |
| Household Hazardous Waste:                     | 1X Per Month                |

| Electronic Recycling:     | 1X Per Month |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Landfill Access:          | 1X Per Month |
| Christmas Tree Recycling: | 1X Per Year  |

The restated agreement includes one optional five-year renewal period. If approved by Council, the renewed contract would begin immediately after the current agreement expires on October 31, 2026, and continue through September 30, 2031. The agreement also provides for a 5% annual rate increase throughout the contract term.

# **Benefit to Community:**

Approval of this Restated Agreement will allow the City to continue providing high-quality and reliable solid waste services while responding to evolving community needs and industry standards.

# **Legal Review:**

The Restated Agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The fiscal impact will be comparable to the current agreement.

## **Recommendation:**

The Community Development Department recommends approval of this Restated Agreement.