

City Council Agenda Item Memo

From: John Thompson, Public Works Director
Council Meeting: April 16, 2024
Subject: Resolution 24-035: Leachate Hauling Bid Award
Presenter: John Thompson, Public Works Director

Summary:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution awarding the bid for Landfill Leachate Hauling to Endurance Environmental Solutions, LLC., for the low bid of \$0.048/gallon.

Background:

The Brookings Regional Landfill produces thousands of gallons of leachate each year. Leachate must be appropriately handled to ensure that it does not migrate through the clay liner and into groundwater. Leachate is created when water percolates through the landfilled solid waste. Per solid waste regulations, the landfill can recirculate the leachate by spraying it back on top of a landfill cell or permanently dispose of it by hauling or pumping it to a local wastewater treatment plant. Since the landfill has recirculated the leachate for several years and only hauled a small percentage away for permanent disposal, the volume of leachate at the landfill is now sufficient enough to dispose of it permanently.

Item Details:

The City held a bid letting on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. and received the following bids:

- Endurance Environmental Solutions LLC. \$0.048/gallon
- Liberty Septic, Inc. \$0.085/gallon
- Dakota Portable Toilets, Inc. \$0.18/gallon

Endurance Environmental Solutions, LLC is the lowest bidder based in Rosemont, IL. It currently has sufficient transportation equipment and business in and around the Brookings area to fulfill the needs of this service.

Legal Consideration:

The City Attorney will review and the City Manager or his designee will approve any agreements for this competitively bid service.

Strategic Plan Consideration:

Proper landfill leachate management supports the strategic plan initiatives of fiscal responsibility and sustainability. The permanent disposal of leachate helps mitigate potential groundwater contamination and future corrective action costs.

Financial Consideration:

There is no general fund cost associated with the bid award. Sufficient appropriations exist in the amended 2024 Fiscal Year budget under Org. 625 – Solid Waste Disposal, Account 625-000-5-422-07 - Contracting Services.

Options and Recommendation:

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Amend
3. Deny
4. Move the item to a Study Session
5. Discuss / take no action / table

Staff recommends approval.

Supporting Documentation:

Memo

Resolution