

Environmental and Franchise Utilities Committee Meeting

June 20, 2017, 5:30 p.m.

John Revolinski (Chair)

Martha Rasmussen

Katy Anderson

Mike Harmon, City Administrator

Ken Daley, Tobacco-Free Coalition of Jefferson County

David Schaab, Waste Management

Discussion about nicotine-free parks policy

This issue was discussed at two previous committee meetings. Ken Daley reported the proposed policy to make the parks tobacco- and nicotine-free was presented to the Park and Rec committee at their last meeting. There was a general agreement that such a policy would be a positive thing. The Environmental Committee agreed to recommend the policy to the Council at the June 26 based on the City's commitment to health through the Blue Zone's program.

Discussion of upcoming contract renewal with Waste Management

David Scaab of Waste Management presented a proposal to provide each household with garbage carts similar to the recycling carts now in use. These have the advantage of uniformity and allow for automated emptying into the trucks. Waste Management is flexible in their offering. After discussion with the committee, Schaab agreed the bins could be either 96 gallons or 64 gallons, depending on the preference of each homeowner. A monthly fee of \$1.50 would be charged for use of the new bins. Solid Waste collection fees would stay the same for the first year, and then increase annually for the duration of the contract. Schaab agreed to reconsider the amount of the fee increases and will get back to us very soon. The committee agreed to meet about the proposal again after the new fees are presented.