City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Monday, January 6, 2014 Regular Meeting

Item Consent5

Council to set February 18, 2014 at 6:05 p.m. as the Public Hearing date to consider the site of the City's Compost facility.

Staff Contact: Annie Folck

Agenda Statement

Item No.

For meeting of: January 6, 2014

AGENDA TITLE: Council to determine date of public hearing regarding siting of City's Compost Facility

SUBMITTED BY DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Public Works

PRESENTATION BY:

SUMMARY EXPLANATION: Due to federal requirements for biosolids processing, the City is making some changes to its composting process. As a result of these changes, the City's current composting facility must now be permitted by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality. Part of the permitting process includes the notification of property owners within two miles, a 30-day public comment period, and a public hearing, the date of which is to be determined by Council (any time after February 6th). All project documents (maps, history of facility, site layout, etc.) will be available for viewing on the City's website and at City Hall.

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

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December 6, 2013

BLOMSTEDT/JOHN E III & JESSICA L BLOMSTEDT 250545 HIGHLAND RD SCOTTSBLUFF, NE 69361

Dear Property Owner,

This notice is to inform you that the City of Scottsbluff, located at 2525 Circle Drive, Scottsbluff, NE, is in the process of requesting siting approval for a composting facility located at PT NW 34 22 54 and PT NE, PT SE, PT SW (N OF CANAL) 34-22-54 (see attached site map). You are receiving this notice because you have been identified as a property owner within two miles of this site.

The proposed facility would be roughly 15 acres in size and would accept yard waste, including grass clippings, leaves, branches, etc. as well as biosolids from the City of Scottsbluff Wastewater Treatment Facility. This facility will be located in the same area where the City currently composts all of its yard waste and biosolids; however, due to federal regulations, we must make slight changes to our composting process which will require us to obtain a site permit for this facility. This facility is expected to serve the City for the foreseeable future.

A public hearing will be held in order to gather the input of nearby property owners. The date and time for this public meeting will be set at the City Council meeting on January 6th, 2014. On this date, all project documents (maps, history of facility, site layout, etc.) will be made available for viewing on the City's website, www.scottsbluff.org. If you do not have internet access but would like to view these documents, please contact me to make other arrangements. The public will have 30 days to make comments on the project in writing. After the 30 day comment period, the public hearing will be held; all residents' comments and concerns will be taken into account at this point.

If you have any questions or concerns about this process or the proposed facility, please feel free to contact me by phone or by e-mail at afolck@scottsbluff.org. Our office hours are 7:00-4:00 Monday through Friday.

Thank you,

Annie Folck

Stormwater Program Specialist

City of Scottsbluff

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