City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Monday, May 5, 2014 Regular Meeting

Item Reports3

Council to consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Natural Resources District, City of Gering and Waste Connections regarding collection and transportation of recyclable materials and authorize the Mayor to execute the memorandum.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding, hereinafter "MOU", is entered into between the North Platte Natural Resources District, hereinafter "NRD", the City of Gering, hereinafter "Gering", the City of Scottsbluff, hereinafter "Scottsbluff", and Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc., hereinafter "Waste Connections".

WHEREAS, all parties recognize the need and benefits of recycling in their respective jurisdictions, and make this MOU to delineate their respective functions in a cooperative effort to more efficiently recycle substances and materials for the betterment of our communities and our citizens, and for the protection of our natural resources. Accordingly, it is therefore understood:

- THE NRD will provide educational outreach programs for students and other
 members of the public concerning the recycling process, and the benefits to our
 citizens and our natural resources, to encourage more citizen understanding and
 involvement in the recycling process.
- 2. **THE NRD** may provide smaller collection bins for in-building use at various locations throughout the District.
- 3. THE NRD may obtain grants to support the activities of the parties to this MOU.
- 4. SCOTTSBLUFF shall be responsible for collecting recyclable materials in Scottsbluff, and any other municipalities and entities with which Scottsbluff has committed to service, and for the transportation of those materials to the Gering recycling facility for processing.
- 5. **GERING** shall be responsible for collecting recyclable materials in Gering, and other municipalities and entities with which Gering has committed to service, and for the transportation of those materials to its facility for processing.

- 6. **GERING** will accept single stream recycling materials delivered to the Gering facility which shall be separated there.
- 7. WASTE CONNECTIONS shall be responsible for collecting recyclable materials in the various municipalities it serves, including Bayard, Bridgeport, Minatare, and Terrytown, and for the transportation of those materials to the Gering recycling facility for processing.
- 8. RECYCLABLE MATERIALS INCLUDED AND EXCLUDED. Each party to this MOU shall determine which materials will be collected for recycling. However, only those materials permitted under the Gering's Single Stream Program will be delivered and accepted at the Gering facility. Notification of any changes to the recyclable materials accepted or excluded by the Gering's Single Stream Program is contemplated.
- 9. NOT A BINDING AGREEMENT. The purpose of the MOU is simply to identify the functions of the various parties to enhance regional cooperation and efficiency. Nothing herein shall be deemed a binding agreement nor require any party to involuntarily expend or budget additional funds to accomplish the purposes of this MOU.
- 10. AUTHORITY. All parties, by affixing their signatures hereto, represent that they are duly authorized to do so on behalf of their respective municipality or corporation.
 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. This MOU shall be effective on _______.

By:			
Title			
Date		•	

North Platte Natural Resources District

By: Title Date
Waste Connections of Mebraska, Inc.
By: Title Date
City of Scottsbluff
Ву: Title Date
City of Gering