

## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

## FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

**DATE:** August 14, 2019

TO: Cale Curtis, City Manager

FROM: Kenneth C. Griffin, P.E., Director of DEES KCG

RE: Weekly Bulk Waste Collection and Rates

Ordinance No. 2018-10 approved an amendment to the franchise agreement for solid waste and recycling collection services with Waste Management to change the level of service for bulk waste collection from monthly to weekly collection along with a \$0.90 per household per month increase to the disposal portion of the residential rate. Ordinance No. 2018-10 also approved paying for the additional \$0.90 per month fee utilizing the Citizen's Project Initiative fund through September 30, 2019. Additionally, there has been discussion by the City Commission with regards to potentially changing bulk waste collection back to weekly or to every other week.

Since the initial implementation of the weekly bulk waste collection, staff has not experienced an increase in the number of complaints compared to the previous service level. As such, staff would recommend continuing with the higher level of service (weekly bulk collection). With regards to the additional fee, staff recommends to place this charge on the utility bill. If approved, the additional fee FY2020 that would be placed on the utility bill will increase to \$0.92 per household per month due to increased disposal fees.