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TO: Mayor and City Commission

FROM: Douglas E. Smith, City Manager

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SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION.

BACKGROUND: Based on the input from the workshop on January 28, 2015, staff reviewed two options that were of concern and recommend the following changes:

- 1. Monthly charge for additional cart: Staff recommends using a combined capacity of 130 gallons (initial plus the additional cart) as the maximum volume allowed without any additional monthly charge. This recommended capacity equates in size to approximately four (4) cans allowed currently. Therefore, a nominal monthly charge per each additional cart is recommended for any carts capacity that exceeds 130 gallons.
- 2. Service Days: The following are the benefits of a 5-day service week compared to the current 6-day week; as such, staff is recommending to keep the proposed 5-day service week:
 - a. Makes the City more attractive by reducing the number of days each week that garbage and other waste is placed at the curb. (Approx. 1/3rd of the City has garbage service and 1/6th of the City has recycling service on Saturdays.) These portions of the City can be easily accommodated into the other routes in the 5-day schedule without impacting the level of service, including pickup of yard waste. As proposed, yard waste will be picked up on the first pickup day of the week.
 - b. Reduces the number of days that staff is unavailable on collection days to address resident concerns.

A copy of the workshop presentation is provided in the backup for reference.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve going out for an RFP including items 1. and 2. above.

FISCAL IMPACT: Will be evaluated as part of bids evaluation process.

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