

AD HOC REFUSE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019

A meeting of the Ad Hoc Refuse Committee was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 and was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

PRESENT: Jim Grabowski, Matt Biolette, Mike Quinn, Jim Snoeyink, Nicole Knapp, Shari Wild, Jeff Mikula

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: City Manager Thad Taylor, Brandon Prince

PURPOSE: To discuss and provide recommendations to City Council on the collection and disposal of refuse/garbage city-wide.

DISCUSSION

- Minutes of the November 14, 2018 meeting were reviewed.
- Committee will address concerns in the DDA District first, and then review city-wide issues.
- The DDA has discussed concerns with River Street trash, Riverwalk maintenance, and blight issues.
- Need to identify corral locations.
- Need to inventory businesses that would use the corrals. A list of businesses is available on the DDA website.
- Corral costs range from \$1,500 to \$30,000, depending on the style chosen. Could be a great investment and use of DDA funds. The current DDA fund balance is sufficient to pay for future obligations. It would be the City Manager's recommendation that the DDA pay for the corrals for the River Street corridor.
- Discussed eliminating all carts from River Street; no trash on River Street.
- Discussed cardboard recycling. Cardboard can be taken to MCC for recycling.
- Discussed 321 River Street, believed to have no trash pickup services and building blight issues.
- Discussed placing additional public trash cans along River Street.
- Discussed corral locations: parking lot behind the Vogue; parking lot behind Manistee Tire; parking lot behind PNC. Would be a loss of some parking spaces. Access to dumpsters in the parking lot behind the Vogue would be difficult and this location was ruled out.
- Discussed compactor option. Would add cost to the project along with maintenance costs. A compactor would be billed by usage by using a fob system.

CONSENSUS

- Start with two corrals, one in the parking lot behind PNC and one in the parking lot behind Manistee Tire. Each corral would include three dumpsters and space for a small trailer. Preferred an enclosed and covered corral for aesthetics and to keep animals out. Pickup would be scheduled for twice a week. This can be re-evaluated should usage be high enough to require additional pickups per week.
- Jeff Mikula and/or Matt Biolette will attend the DDA Design Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 21 to discuss.
- Jeff Mikula and/or Matt Biolette will attend the March 13 DDA Board meeting to make a request for funding to the board.
- Matt will work on new fee structure and ballpark cost estimates for the corral option for presentation at both DDA meetings.

ADJOURN

Next Meeting: To be determined.

Adjourn at 11:05 a.m.

Cynthia Lokovich, CAP OM
Executive Secretary