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Shannon Newman

8/18/2021

RECYCLING/TRASH COLLECTION (750)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

A resolution to approve an agreement between the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas and Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC to haul and dispose of organic compostables and recyclable material in the City of Fayetteville

Budget Impact:

Account Number		Fund	
Project Number		Project Title	
Budgeted Item?	No	Current Budget	\$ -
		Funds Obligated	\$ -
		Current Balance	\$ -
Does item have a cost?	No	Item Cost	\$ -
Budget Adjustment Attached?	No	Budget Adjustment	\$ -
		Remaining Budget	\$ -

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Purchase Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # \_\_\_\_\_

Change Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Original Contract Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:



**MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

**TO:** Mayor Jordan and City Council

**THRU:** Peter Nierengarten, Environmental Director  
Jeff Coles, Recycling and Trash Collections Director

**FROM:** Shannon Newman, Financial Analyst - Recycling and Trash Collections

**DATE:** July 27, 2021

**SUBJECT: A resolution to approve an agreement between the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas and Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC to haul and dispose of organic compostables and recyclable material in the City of Fayetteville**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends City Council approval of a resolution with Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC, for the hauling and disposal of organic compostables and recyclable material in the City of Fayetteville.

**BACKGROUND:**

City Code 50.29 - Private Collectors; Contract With City Required

No person, except a duly authorized agent or employee of the city, shall empty garbage or trash receptacles, or convey or transport garbage or trash on the streets or public thoroughfares of the city, without a written contract with the city. (Code 1965, §10-46; Ord. No. 1194, 4-6-59; Code 1991, §50.29)

In accordance with this City Code, Ozark Compost & Swap has submitted a request for contract to haul solid waste within the city limits of Fayetteville.

There are currently 10 approved franchise haulers operating in the city of Fayetteville. Attached is a list of these haulers and the materials they are approved to haul.

**DISCUSSION:**

The hauling contract will permit Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC to collect and haul organic waste for composting and recyclable materials. Hauler may collect organic waste and recyclable materials from residential, commercial and industrial activities. Hauler is not authorized to collect or haul any other type of solid waste.

The agreement requires Ozark Compost & Swap to pay a monthly fee to the City of Fayetteville of 5% of the gross revenue received for providing organic waste hauling services and 5% of the gross revenue received for providing the hauling of recyclables.

The term of the agreement will be 1 year with automatic renewals for 2 additional 1-year terms. Staff proposes approval for Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC to haul and dispose of organic compostables and recyclable material within the City of Fayetteville per the terms of the attached agreement.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:**

None

**Attachments:**

Ozark Compost & Swap Letter of Request

Franchise Haulers

Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC Agreement to Haul and Dispose of Organic Compostables and Recyclable Materials in the City of Fayetteville



To: The City of Fayetteville

Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC is requesting to become a Franchise Hauler for the City of Fayetteville as a residential compost pickup service.

Ozark Compost & Swap's service are to include pickup of residential food waste and other approved compostable items. Our intentions are to support the City of Fayetteville's' goals in diverting food waste from the landfills. Along with residential compost pickup our swap program is designed to provide refillable household products in order to eliminate plastic wastes often associated with day-to-day household products. We also look to promote local businesses who provide eco-friendly and sustainable products by providing samples to our customers. Our belief is that providing simple solutions to the community can drive large impacts for the overall environment.

We look forward to working with the City of Fayetteville in committing to a stronger and healthier community.

Ricky Ludeman

Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC

City of Fayetteville Franchise Haulers

Business	DBA	City	Contact	Status	Expires	Activity
Allied Waste Services	Republic	Bella Vista Ar.	Jennifer Fagan	Approved 12/3/19	12/3/2025	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Central Arkansas Recycling & Disposal	CARDS	Little Rock Ar.	Jason Fitzgerald	Approved 7/17/18	7/17/2024	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Eco Vista Waste Management	Waste Management	Tontitown Ar.	George Wheatley	Approved 9/17/19	9/17/2025	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Food Loops		Rogers Ar.	Tom Rohr / Michael Kraus	Approved 4/7/20	4/7/2023	Organic waste and recyclables hauling and composting within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Food Recycling Solutions, LLC		Rogers Ar.	Richard Ims	Approved 7/2/19	7/2/2022	Organic waste and recyclables hauling and composting within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Hogeye Mfg. Co. Inc	Hogbox	Fayetteville Ar.	Lori Devecery	Approved 9/17/19	9/17/2025	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Inland Waste Solutions	Orion Waste Solutions	Bethel Heights Ar.	Kevin Gardner	Approved 9/17/19	9/17/2025	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Marck Recycling		Rogers Ar.	Kent Longley	Approved 10/2/18	10/2/2024	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Ozark Dumpster Service, LLC		Springdale, AR	Alexandra Hollenbeck	Approved 12/3/19	12/3/2025	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.
Windstar Investments LLC	Roll Off Dumpsters	Rogers Ar.	Gene Housley	Approved 10/2/18	10/2/2024	Hauling and disposal of solid waste and recyclable material within the city limits of Fayetteville.

**AGREEMENT TO HAUL AND DISPOSE OF ORGANIC  
COMPOSTABLES AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS  
IN THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE**

This Agreement (the “Agreement”), is entered into on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, between the **City of Fayetteville, Arkansas**, a municipal corporation (the “City”), and Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC (the “Hauler”), and shall be in full force and effect on the date first written above, City and Hauler agree as follows:

1. The term of this Agreement shall be for one (1) year with automatic renewals for two (2) additional one (1) year terms, unless otherwise terminated pursuant to the terms hereof. Notice of non-renewal by either City or Hauler shall be given at least thirty days prior to the end of the current term.
2. Hauler agrees that from and after the original date of this Agreement, all customer service Agreements for facilities within the corporate limits of the City, excluding residential areas, entered into before or after the effective date of this Agreement, or renewed shall have terms of no more than one (1) year from the date of execution of this Agreement. No customer service agreement shall extend the terms of this Agreement.
3. Hauler agrees and understands that it may only collect and haul organic waste for composting and recyclable materials. Hauler may collect organic waste and recyclable materials from residential, commercial and industrial activities. Hauler is not authorized to collect or haul any other type of solid waste.
4. In consideration of the right to provide the hauling of organic waste and recyclable materials described in Item #3 above, Hauler agrees and understands that it shall be required to pay a monthly fee of five (5%) percent (the “Organic Waste Fee”) of the gross revenue received for providing the hauling of compostable organic waste and five (5%) percent (the “Recycling Fee”) of the gross revenue received for providing the hauling of recyclables.
5. As additional consideration for the right to provide the hauling of compostable organic waste as described in Item #3 above, Hauler agrees and understands that it shall be required to haul all organic waste collected in the City of Fayetteville to the Fayetteville Recycling and Trash Collection Facility for composting, which shall be counted toward City’s waste diversion goals.
6. If Hauler collects compostable organic waste materials, Hauler shall pay all fees due hereunder for compostable organic waste materials hauled, along with submitting “Attachment A: Organic Waste Documentation”, on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each calendar month for the immediately preceding calendar month. Payments of fees received after the due date shall be assessed a 10% penalty per month. If Hauler fails to pay the fees within forty-five (45) days of the due date, the City may terminate this Agreement upon delivery of one (1) written notice to the Hauler. The supporting information shall be sufficient to demonstrate the accuracy of the fee calculation, and shall include the volume of compostable organic waste collected, in tons. With payment remittance, the City may review and obtain certain trade secret information, including rates, frequency of service, customer lists, other customer information, and contracts (“Confidential

Information”). The City asserts this information is exempt from disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act as the information meets the exemption for records that "if disclosed would give advantage to competitors."

7. If Hauler collects recyclable materials, Hauler shall pay all fees due hereunder, along with submitting “Attachment B: Recycling Documentation,” on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each calendar month for the immediately preceding calendar month. Payments of fees received after the due date shall be assessed a 10% penalty per month. If Hauler fails to pay the fees within forty-five (45) days of the due date, the City may terminate this Agreement upon delivery of one (1) written notice to the Hauler. The supporting information shall be sufficient to demonstrate the accuracy of the fee calculation, and shall include volumes of recycling collected, in tons, by commodity, with disposition by destination market. If recyclables are deposited at one of the City recycling drop-off facilities or in another City contracted container, then this reporting is not required. With payment remittance, the City may review and obtain certain trade secret information, including rates, frequency of service, customer lists, other customer information, and contracts with recyclers and processing mills (“Confidential Information”). The City asserts this information is exempt from disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act as the information meets the exemption for records that "if disclosed would give advantage to competitors." Any Hauler found providing services for non-source separated recyclables without prior approval by the City shall be subject to a fee of \$500.00.
8. The City shall have the right to conduct an audit of Hauler’s customer files and records for all customers located within the City, provided that such audit privilege shall be limited to once per calendar quarter. During such audit, the City may review and obtain certain trade secret information, including rates, frequency of service, customer lists, and other customer information (“Confidential Information”). This information shall not be divulged to any third party by the City, its employees, officers, or elected officials without the express written consent of the Hauler, or as otherwise required by law. The City asserts this information is exempt from disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act as the information meets the exemption for records that "if disclosed would give advantage to competitors."
9. The City will advise Hauler of any request for information which the City, at the City's sole discretion, determines to be non-disclosable or otherwise subject to an exemption from disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act. If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that said requested information is disclosable or otherwise is not exempt from disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act, the City will comply with said finding and notify Hauler. Discovery requests made to the City during the course of any litigation, or any other subpoena or court order issued to the City for information or records related to Hauler and this Agreement, shall be promptly made known to Hauler.
10. Hauler agrees and understands that it shall submit to the City by June 30<sup>th</sup> on an annual basis: (i) a list of all commercial vehicles used to provide services in the City; (ii) proof of appropriate vehicle registration; (iii) and proof of the insurance required by this Agreement.
11. Hauler agrees and understands that it shall provide by June 30<sup>th</sup> on an annual basis: (i) a list of vehicle operators collecting and hauling compostable organic waste in the City of Fayetteville; (ii) proof of their valid and appropriate commercial drivers’ licenses; (iii) and the provision, maintenance, and implementation of a plan to ensure that the vehicle operators maintain their commercial driver’s licenses in accordance with applicable federal and state laws.

12. Hauler agrees that it shall provide by June 30<sup>th</sup> on an annual basis copies of valid and current hauling and disposal permits from the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, the Solid Waste District with jurisdiction, and any local permitting agency, as required by state or local law.
13. Hauler agrees that it shall comply with all federal, state and local laws applicable to the safety, environmental and transportation matters related to providing collection services under this Agreement. Hauler agrees that all open-top roll-off style containers will be properly covered during transit on streets and highways within Fayetteville.
14. The City reserves the right to inspect all vehicles and containers to ensure that the vehicles are safe and well-maintained and that all containers are well-maintained and water tight, if necessary.
15. If Hauler utilizes the City's transfer station, Hauler agrees and understands that it shall be required to establish an individual credit or service relationship with the City of Fayetteville transfer station operator. Hauler agrees that it shall comply with all practices, policies and procedures as established by the transfer station operator from time to time. Any tipping fee deposits required by the transfer station shall be refunded, less any unpaid tipping fees, when the Hauler ceases hauling activities governed by this Agreement.
16. This Agreement has been entered into freely and voluntarily by Hauler which agrees to abide by all of the terms and conditions as a matter of contractual obligation pursuant to applicable City ordinances. This is a contractual Agreement and is not intended to be part of or relate in any way to any license or ordinance created pursuant to A.C.A. §26-77-102.
17. Neither this Agreement, nor any rights or obligations hereunder may be assigned or transferred to any third part or affiliate.
18. For the purpose of this contract, the Point of Contact for the City of Fayetteville shall be the City's Director of Sustainability. The Point of Contact for the Hauler shall be Ricky Ludeman. Communications pertaining to day-to-day aspects of this contract shall be through these individuals. Either party may change its designated Point of Contact upon ten (10) days prior written notice to the other party.
19. Hauler agrees to protect, indemnify, defend and save harmless the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, representatives and assigns from any loss, claim, liability, penalty, fine, forfeiture, demand cause of action, suit and costs and expenses incidental thereto (including costs of defense, settlement and reasonable attorneys' fees), to the extent caused by (i) Hauler's breach of any term, condition, covenant or warranty contained in this Agreement, or (ii) Hauler's negligent act or omission or willful misconduct related to the delivery of waste to the City transfer station or a properly licensed landfill facility.



20. Insurance: Hauler shall maintain the following insurance coverage during the term of this Agreement:

- a) Hauler shall provide and maintain, during the term of this Agreement, comprehensive general liability insurance, to protect against all claims arising out of the performance of its services hereunder that result in bodily injury, death or property damage. The policy or policies shall contain a clause that the insurer will not cancel or decrease the insurance coverage without first giving the City sixty (60) days notice in writing.
- b) Upon written request, Hauler shall furnish the City with evidence that the insurance required of it is in force.
- c) City will be added as an additional insured on General Liability and Auto Liability policies.
- d) The types of coverage and limits of liability of all insurance required herein shall be as follows:

COVERAGE	LIMITS OF LIABILITY
Worker's Compensation	Statutory
Employer's Liability	\$500,000
Bodily Injury Liability except Automobile	\$1,000,000 each occurrence
Property Damage Liability Except Automobile	\$1,000,000 each aggregate
Automobile Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000 each person
Comprehensive General Liability	\$1,000,000 each occurrence
Automobile Property Damage Liability	\$1,000,000 each occurrence
Excess Umbrella Liability	\$1,000,000 each occurrence

21. Termination:

- a) Except as otherwise provided herein, if Hauler breaches this Agreement or defaults in the performance of any of the requirement or conditions contained herein, and such breach continues for fifteen (15) days after the City has given the Hauler written notice of such breach or default, the City may: (i) terminate this Agreement no sooner than thirty (30) days after the date of written notice of such breach or default; (ii) cure the breach or default at the expense of the Hauler; and/or (iii) exercise any right or remedy to which it may be entitled by law.
- b) The City may terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the Hauler if the Hauler makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, receivership or insolvency, or files an answer in any involuntary proceeding of that nature admitting the material allegations of the petition, or if a proceeding in bankruptcy, receivership or insolvency shall be instituted and such proceeding is not dismissed within sixty (60) days.

- c) In the event that this Agreement is terminated for any reason, any amounts payable to the City by Hauler for services rendered for any reason whatsoever shall become immediately due and payable as of the date of such termination.

22. All notices required or permitted under this contract shall be submitted in writing to the other party of this contract by electronic mail, return receipt requested, and by U.S. Mail, which notice shall be effective three (3) days after deposit therein addressed to the following:

City of Fayetteville  
Sustainability Director  
113 West Mountain Street  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

Ricky Ludeman  
1 East Center St  
Ste #330 Unite #521  
Fayetteville, AR 72701


- 23. Hauler agrees and understands that this Agreement and documents submitted to the City pursuant hereto are subject to the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act. If a Freedom of Information Act request is presented to the City of Fayetteville requesting such non-exempt documents, such non-exempt documents shall be provided in a prompt and timely manner as prescribed in the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (Ark. Code Ann. § 25-19-101 et seq.). Only legally authorized photocopying costs may be assessed for this compliance.
- 24. This Agreement shall be interpreted according to and enforced under the laws of the State of Arkansas. Capitalized terms herein shall have the same meaning as set forth in ADEQ Reg. No. 22.
- 25. A waiver by either party of any of the terms or conditions herein shall be limited to that particular instance, and shall not be construed as a general waiver of either party's right to seek appropriate remedies for any other breaches by either party.
- 26. Each paragraph of the Agreement is severable from all other paragraphs. In the event any court of competent jurisdiction determines that any paragraph or subparagraph is invalid or unenforceable for any reason, all remaining paragraphs and subparagraphs shall remain in full force and effect.
- 27. This contract constitutes the entire understanding of the parties and no Notification or variation of the terms of this contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the duly authorized agents of the City of Fayetteville and the Hauler.
- 28. Each of the undersigned warrants that he or she has the full right, power, and authority to execute this contract on behalf of the party indicated for the purposes herein contained.
- 29. To the extent a definition or a specific term is not provided herein but is nonetheless required by the context, it is the intention of the parties to incorporate herein the definitions contained in applicable law and regulation in effect as the date hereof, except to the extent subsequent law or regulation shall expressly or implicitly mandate a revised definition.
- 30. The obligations of the parties to this Agreement, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration of this Agreement, shall survive the termination (for any reason), cancellation or expiration of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands on the date first written above.

**CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE**

**Ozark Compost & Swap, LLC**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**LIONELD JORDAN, Mayor**

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Ricky Ludeman, Owner

**ATTEST:**

**WITNESS:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**KARA PAXTON, City Clerk**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Attachment A: Organic Compostable Documentation**

**Required Supporting Information for Monthly Payment of Fees**

**Due on or before the 15th** of each calendar month for the immediately preceding calendar month. Payments of the fees received after the due date shall be assessed a **10% penalty per month**.

**Hauler:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Month:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please give the number of permanent customer accounts you have within the corporate limits of the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.
  
2. Please give the number of temporary customer accounts you have within the corporate limits of the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.
  
3. Please give the total number of containers placed with all your customer accounts within the corporate limits of the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.
  
4. Please give the total volume of compostable organic waste collected, in tons, for the month reported.

5. Please show the monthly revenues collected by account type:

Total monthly revenue collected from permanent customer accounts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly revenue collected from temporary customer accounts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly revenue collected \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5% of total monthly revenue collected \$ \_\_\_\_\_

6. Total fee remitted to the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

I swear or affirm that all the information provided above and on all attached forms is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Attachment B: Recycling Documentation**

**Required Supporting Information for Monthly Payment of Fees**

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**Month:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please give the number of permanent customer accounts you have within the corporate limits of the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.
  
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3. Please give the total number of containers placed with all your customer accounts within the corporate limits of the City of Fayetteville for the month reported.
  
4. Please complete the attached form to show by commodity the volume, in tons, collected with disposition by destination market for the month reported.
  
5. Please show the monthly revenues collected by account type:

Total monthly revenue collected from permanent customer accounts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly revenue collected from temporary customer accounts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly revenue collected \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

