

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Services

AGENDA DATE: February 28, 2012

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Ellen A. Smyth, P.E., Director (915) 621-6719

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT:

A resolution to develop a Cooperative Agreement with the U. S. Army at Ft Bliss

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The proposed resolution is for a cooperative agreement approach with the Army to develop a collaborative system for the disposal and resource recovery of MSW, and the generation of renewable energy from WTE Technologies and/or other renewable and alternative energy.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

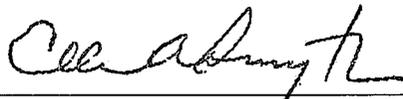
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BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:



(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army at Fort Bliss and the City of El Paso (collectively, the Parties) have aligning interests in the generation of secure energy from waste-to-energy (WTE) technologies and/or other renewable energy technologies in order to develop a more reliable and environmentally sound solution for the disposal of municipal solid waste (MSW); and,

WHEREAS, the Parties would like to explore the potential to collaborate through a Cooperative Agreement approach (through which Army is authorized pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 6305, the *Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act*), whereby both Parties will leverage the other's resources and services with the common goal of (1) obtaining a mutually-beneficial and environmentally sound disposal option for MSW in concert with a new, city-owned landfill located on federal land, and (2) the generation of renewable energy from WTE technologies and/or other renewable energy technologies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate with the U.S. Army to develop a Cooperative Agreement for the development of a collaborative system for the disposal and resource recovery of MSW, and the generation of renewable energy from WTE technologies and/or other renewable and alternative energy technologies; and to present said Agreement to City Council for approval upon the conclusion of the negotiations.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2012.

CITY OF EL PASO:

John F. Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sylvia Borunda Firth
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Ellen Smyth
Director Environmental Services