

Public Hearing: August 21, 2006

F A C T S H E E T

TITLE: Resolution for Liquid Waste Dump Station Normal Hours of Operation and Disposal Fees for 2007.

SPONSOR: Public Works and Utilities

OPPONENTS: Unknown

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For

APPLICANT: Public Works and Utilities

REASON FOR LEGISLATION: To increase the disposal fees and minimum load fee for disposal of “special” liquid wastes transported by vehicle to and processed by the Liquid Waste Dump Station at the Theresa Street Wastewater Treatment Facility. Also, to change the normal operating hours and extended hours of operation for the Liquid Waste Dump Station.

D I S C U S S I O N

The proposed resolution provides hours of operation commensurate with the hours of operation of the Analytical Laboratory for the Lincoln Wastewater System and Theresa Street Wastewater Treatment Facility operations staff scheduling. Reduced hours of operations saves \$10,000 annually in overtime and operating costs. The Analytical Laboratory is responsible for compliance monitoring and testing of all incoming loads at the Dump Station.

Treatment costs for the various liquid wastes must not be subsidized by wastewater rates, and must be fully recovered from Dump Station users, as required by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) which helped to fund the original construction of the facility. Liquid Waste Treatment costs are audited on an annual basis to meet NDEQ requirements. Treatment costs include operations and maintenance costs of the facility itself, the cost of laboratory services, amortization of bonded indebtedness for the facility, and administrative costs for program control, billing, collection and customer accounting.

The current audit indicates the following fees should be adjusted to cover treatment costs of the operation of the Liquid Waste Dump Station.

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
• Monday through Friday normal hours changed	8:00 - 5:30	8:00 - 4:30
Monday through Friday no change in Grit Wastes		
Monday through Friday Extended Hours changed	5:30 - 7:30	4:30 - 7:30
• Saturday no change in Grit Wastes Extended Hours		
Saturday all other Wastes Extended hours changed	Noon - 5:30	Noon - 4:30
• Sunday no change in Grit Waste Extended Hours		
Sunday all other Wastes Extended hours changed	Noon - 5:30	Noon - 4:30
• Holiday Extended Hours changed	Noon - 5:30	Noon - 4:30
• No change for Christmas, Thanksgiving and New Year’s Day (Closed)		

The following are the charges listed in the Resolution:

<u>Fees</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
• No change in fees for wastes related to Anaerobic Digestion	\$.037/gal.	\$.037/gal.
• Wastes routed to Grit Processing increased	\$0.114/gal.	\$0.125/gal.
• Wastes routed to Facility Headworks increased	\$0.032/gal.	\$0.035/gal.
• Minimum Load Fee increased	\$12.00/per load	\$13.00 per load
• No change in the Surcharge for extended hours	\$10.00/per load	\$10.00 per load

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: No

COST OF TOTAL PROJECT:

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

CITY: n/a

NON CITY:

BENEFIT COST:

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