

Item Title: Multi-Year Contract to Provide Household Hazardous Waste Services

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approves a five-year contract with Republic Services, Inc., to provide household hazardous waste services to Wake County, subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners approves multi-year contracts.

Background: The Wake County Solid Waste Division operates three Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facilities, which are funded by the county-wide Household Fee (\$20/year/household). These facilities serve as collection points for various hazardous waste items generated by Wake County residents. The accepted items typically include chemicals, paints, batteries, fluorescent bulbs and other materials that can pose environmental or health risks if not disposed of properly. To ensure the efficient operation of these facilities, the county contracts with a service provider that specializes in handling hazardous waste. This service provider is responsible for staffing the facilities, accepting hazardous waste from residents, sorting and packaging the materials and transporting it to the appropriate locations where it is processed for safe disposal or recycling. The current HHW services contract expires on June 30, 2024.

Strategic Plan: This action supports routine County operations.

Fiscal Impact: The FY2025 cost for Republic Services, Inc. is projected at \$1,690,446 and is within the recurring appropriation in the Solid Waste budget for facility operations. The contract is for a five-year period and is estimated to cost \$9,340,781. The costs for FY2025 and beyond will be incorporated into the Solid Waste funding model and future recommended budgets.

Additional Information:

Wake County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to vendors interested in providing HHW services for Wake County residents. The County received three proposals. An evaluation committee reviewed and scored the proposals based on the following criteria:

1. Understanding of and familiarity with services sought by the County.
2. Technical expertise, knowledge, and understanding of applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
3. Project approach, including staffing, collecting, monitoring, and transporting of HHW materials.

4. Cost of services.
5. HHW material treatment and management.
6. Facilities to be used to process and/or manage collected HHW materials.
7. Financial capacity for handling services, including insurance coverage.

The evaluation process determined that Republic Services, Inc. is the top provider for household hazardous waste services in the County.

Based on historical data and projections, the annual cost for the contract with Republic Services is expected to be as follows:

FY 2025	\$1,690,446
FY 2026	\$1,774,968
FY 2027	\$1,863,717
FY 2028	\$1,956,903
FY 2029	\$2,054,748
Total:	\$9,340,781

Attachments:

None.