

City of Fayetteville, Arkansas

113 West Mountain Street Fayetteville, AR 72701 (479) 575-8323

Legislation Text

File #: 2023-1444

Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a 2023 Boston Mountain Recycling Grant for \$9,000 for purchasing Compost Buckets for a pilot curbside food waste collection program and approve a budget adjustment to recognize the grant.

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF A 2023 BOSTON MOUNTAIN RECYCLING GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000.00 FOR A PILOT CURBSIDE FOOD WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM, AND TO APPROVE A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

<u>Section 1</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby authorizes acceptance of a 2023 Boston Mountain Recycling Grant in the amount of \$9,000.00 to purchase compost buckets for a pilot curbside food waste collection program.

<u>Section 2</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby approves a budget adjustment, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution, recognizing the grant funds.



CITY COUNCIL MEMO

2023-1444

MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2023

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council

THRU: Peter Nierengarten, Environmental Director

FROM: Brian Pugh, Waste Reduction Coordinator

DATE:

SUBJECT: Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a 2023 Boston Mountain

Recycling Grant for \$9,000 for purchasing Compost Buckets for a pilot curbside food waste collection program and approve a budget adjustment to recognize the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a 2023 Boston Mountain Recycling Grant for \$9,000 for purchasing Compost Buckets for a pilot curbside food waste collection program and approve a budget adjustment to recognize the grant.

BACKGROUND:

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality receives money generated from landfill fees and distributes back to the regional solid waste districts to fund recycling grants. The Boston Mountain Solid Waste District issues recycling grants through approval of the Boston Mountain Solid Waste Board. The Boston Mountain Solid Waste District approved the pre applications at the October 2023 Board meeting. Boston Mountain is now ready to disburse funds.

DISCUSSION:

Recycling and Trash Collection staff developed a residential food waste collection program using 6 drop offs around Fayetteville in coordination with community partners. While drop off collection is available to residents the participation from a city-wide level is lagging. A pilot program to evaluate curbside collection of food waste is being planned to divert more food waste from trash collections. A third party, Ozark compost and Swap, LLC. Already has a franchise agreement with the City to collect food waste in Fayetteville. Staff would like to conduct a pilot using Ozark Composting as the collection partner to evaluate the service. Compost buckets are needed to allow Ozark Composting the ability to collect, wash, and return buckets to homes of participating in the pilot.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

The recycling grant award is not a matching grant, so no City funds are obligated with this request. The budget adjustment is attached to recognize the grant revenue and establish a capital project for the grant. Project 33053.2301 Compost Bins.

ATTACHMENTS: SRF (#3), BA (#4), BM 2023 Grant award (#5), BM Compost bin acceptance (#6)