



Indian River County Florida

Solid Waste Disposal District Draft Meeting Minutes

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Commission Chambers

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Solid Waste Disposal District. The minutes will be approved at an upcoming Solid Waste Disposal District meeting.

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

[Clerk's Note: SWDD Items were heard following the Consent Agenda]

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the SWDD meeting minutes of November 15, 2022, and November 22, 2022, as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Earman, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner Loar, and Commissioner Moss

15.B.1. Approval of SWDD Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2022

Approved

15.B.2. Approval of SWDD Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2022

Approved

15.B.3.

Amendment No. 1 to Agreement between SWDD and KCI for Franchise Collection Procurement Assistance

Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) Director Himanshu Mehta discussed the rationale behind hiring Kessler Consulting, Inc. (KSI) to perform a Waste Generation Study and how the results would inform changes needed to the SWDD's rate structure.

Chas Jordan, Senior Consultant, Kessler Consulting, Inc., presented background on SWDD assessments, scope of project, methodology, data on waste generation and recommendations. KSI's report recommended both increases and decreases to the County's Waste Generation Unit (WGU) calculations based on the study's quantified data. KSI also recommended following up with a Rate Study of all revenue sources, which was last done almost 30 years ago.

Vice Chairman Adams expressed concern the study recommended doubling the fees for restaurants. Director Mehta explained that a gradual increase in assessments based on a holistic view of their funding was most likely. Mr. Jordan informed the Board of rate studies done by other counties.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Earman, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner Loar, and Commissioner Moss

15.B.4.

Nineteenth Amendment to Republic Services

Solid Waste Disposal District Director Himanshu Mehta briefly described the amendment regarding the cost to operate and maintain the landfill's gas system.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Earman, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner Loar, and Commissioner Moss