

INTRODUCED: June 12, 2017

A RESOLUTION No. 2017-R033

As Amended

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be conducted by an independent third party a review of the City’s program for the collection and disposal of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste pursuant to City Code § 23-44.

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Patron – Mr. Agelasto

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: JUNE 26 2017 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, section 23-44 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, regulates, in part, the collection of leaves and the collection and disposal of bulk items and brush solid waste by the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, it has been almost 10 years since the last amendment of section 23-44 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, by Ordinance No. 2007-230-275, adopted November 26, 2007, to modify the City’s program for the collection and disposal of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Richmond that the Council request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be conducted by

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an independent third party a review of the City's program for the collection and disposal of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste pursuant to section 23-44 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, and a comparative analysis of similar programs in other jurisdictions in the Commonwealth and, to the extent applicable, other states;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby requested to cause to be conducted by an independent third party a review of the City's program for the collection and disposal of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste pursuant to section 23-44 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, and a comparative analysis of similar programs in other jurisdictions in the Commonwealth and, to the extent applicable, other states.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The Chief Administrative Officer is hereby requested to cause this review to include, at a minimum, the following:

1. An examination of the current operating procedures of the City's Department of Public Works in collecting and disposing of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste, including the resources and personnel needed and the current cost to the City of the bulk items and brush solid waste collection and disposal program.
2. An examination of similar programs in other jurisdictions in the Commonwealth and, to the extent applicable, other states.
3. Opportunities for modernization, efficiency, and improved effectiveness for the collection and disposal of leaves and of bulk items and brush solid waste by the City's Department of Public Works.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby requested to cause this review and comparative analysis to be completed and a report on the review's findings to be provided to the Council by no later than [~~August~~] November 1, 2017.



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## Ordinance/Resolution Request

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**TITLE** Bulk and Brush Program Review

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This is a request for the drafting of an  Ordinance  Resolution

**REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON**

Parker C. Agelasto, 5th District Representative

**SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE**

Land Use, Housing, and Transportation

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

The Patron requests a resolution requesting the Chief Administrative Officer to undertake a complete review of the Bulk and Brush collection and disposal program administered by the Department of Public Works. It is the intent of City Council that this review:

- Should be undertaken by an independent third party,
- Examine current operating procedures, resources, staffing levels, and cost of the City's program,
- Examine the operating procedures, resources, staff levels, and cost of similar programs, both within and outside of Virginia,
- Identify opportunities for modernization, efficiency, and improved effectiveness.

A report on the findings and recommendations of this review should be submitted to City Council no later than August 1, 2017.

**BACKGROUND**

**Summary:**

- City Council adopted the FY18 General Fund Budget, Ordinance No. 2017-036, with an appropriation of \$2,124,052 for the Bulk and Brush program.

- City Council declined to approve the proposed \$2.50 increase in the Solid Waste fee that was proposed in Ordinance No. 2017-058. Instead, Council approved a more modest increase of \$0.80, which brings the solid waste fee to \$20.80.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

Fiscal Impact Yes  No

Budget Amendment Required Yes  No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact

The cost of this review, if any, is intended to be paid from the \$2.1 million appropriation for the Bulk and Brush program.

Attachment/s Yes  No