

**HAMILTON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM**

DATE: July 12, 2019
TO: District Policy Committee Members
FROM: Michelle Balz, Solid Waste Manager

1. Introduction/Opening Comments

NOTICE: This memo is for the meeting to be held **Thursday, July 18, 2019** at Hamilton County Environmental Services, 250 William Howard Taft Road, 1st Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45219 at 1:30 p.m.

Policy Committee information (Agendas, Manager's Memos, Minutes, etc.) is available on the District's website at www.hamiltoncountyclecycling.org.

2. Clerk's Report/Additions to the Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the May 16, 2019 Policy Committee meeting are included as [Attachment A](#).

B. Additions to the Agenda

Please contact Susan Schumacher at 513-946-7734 or susan.schumacher@hamilton-co.org if you have items to add to the agenda.

3. District Revenue Updates/Analysis

Updates will be provided on current revenue receipts and comparisons with the prior year, as included in [Attachment B](#).

4. Policy Items

A. 2020 Budget Recommendation

In early July, staff provided the Policy Committee with information on the District's proposed 2020 budget. A copy of the budget information is included as [Attachment C](#). The total budget request for 2020 is \$3,246,760.91. The District projects \$3.25 million in revenue.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the 2020 budget as presented.

5. Informational Items

A. Annual District Report

Each year, Ohio solid waste management districts are required to submit an annual report to Ohio EPA detailing the amount of material diverted from landfills. This report also provides an update on the implementation of the solid waste management plan. The Ohio EPA is currently reviewing the annual report and typically provides comments by the fall.

B. Compost Bin Sale

On Saturday, August 10, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. the District will host a Compost Bin Sale at St. Xavier High School. Residents can pre-order bins [online](#) or purchase them the day of the sale along with

accessories. Bins will cost \$45 each (regularly \$100) and residents can receive a \$10 off coupon by attending a backyard composting training.

C. For the Love of Food: A Free Food Fest

The District along with partner organizations La Soupe, Green Umbrella, Plant Cincinnati, and others will be holding a wasted food prevention event. This first-time event will take place on Sunday, September 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Washington Park in downtown Cincinnati. The overarching theme of this family friendly event is food is a valuable resource that should not be wasted.

This zero waste event will include free food, water, music, games, educational booths, cooking demonstrations and giveaways focused on preventing the waste of food. Families that participate in a number of learning activities will be eligible to receive items such as water bottles, reusable grocery bags, meal planning whiteboards, and food to take home.

D. Environmental Enforcement Program Update

The District funds an Environmental Enforcement Deputy position to enforce illegal dumping and tire transport laws in Hamilton County. [Attachment D](#) shows activity of the deputy through June 30, 2019. Staff will provide an update on progress with the program.

6. Tentative Future Agenda Items

7. Policy Committee Members' Comments

8. Public Comments

9. Upcoming District Meetings

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 19, 2019**. This meeting will be held at Hamilton County Environmental Services, 250 William Howard Taft Road, 1st Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45219 at 1:30 p.m.

10. Adjournment (Target Time: 3:00 p.m.)