



MEMORANDUM

To: Summit County Council
From: Derrick Radke/Tim Loveday
Date of Meeting: September 2, 2020
Type of Item: Work Session
Re: Summit County Recycle Fees and Dumpster Ordinance

The purpose of this presentation is to update the Council on cost changes to the Mattress Recycling Program, request amendment of the Solid Waste fee schedule to address these changes, and to request approval of a specific ordinance and fine schedule to address illegal dumping/disposal in County provided dumpsters. This presentation is a specific response to both new and on-going challenges within our solid waste management program. The proposed actions requested of Council will serve to mitigate costs, specify permitted dumpster use and provide for a mechanism to address violations of policy which are costing the Solid Waste Division time and money, and reducing the overall effectiveness of our waste collections and recycle programs.

Mattress Recycling Program

We have been notified by Spring-Back, the only mattress recycler in the region, that a substantial price increase will take effect on August 1.

Under our current fee program, this cost increase, charged by Spring-back, will result in a non-budgeted deficit of about a \$2,200 for the remainder of 2020. We propose an increase from the current \$12 per piece mattress disposal fee to \$18 per piece to cover the increasing Spring-Back fee, trailer rental and labor. The proposed fee is set at a "break-even" rate.

The mattress program will approach \$20k per year, moving forward, to continue with this recycling effort. We recycle 1000 to 1200 mattresses per year.

With budget challenges, uncertainty of future cost increases, and the current 50% increase needed in fees to mitigate anticipated deficits, we request that Council approve amendment of the Solid Waste Fee schedule to increase mattress disposal fees to \$18 per unit.

County Provided Dumpster Ordinance

County ordinances are currently not specific for household garbage dumpster and recycle dumpster use. The result is ongoing abuse of the County provided resources through inappropriate use of dumpsters, placement of wastes outside of dumpsters and vague means to enforce appropriate use of these resources.

To address, clarify use and develop a mechanism for enforcement; we request Council amend County Code Chapter 4-2 outlining dumpster use and implement fine system to allow enforcement of the defined dumpster use policy.

County Provided Dumpster Fine Schedule

To provide for support of enforcement action in response to violations of the County Provided Dumpster Ordinance, we propose the Solid Waste Fee Schedule be amended to specify fines associated with negligent and improper use of the Household Garbage Dumpsters and Recycle Dumpsters. Fines proposed for violations are as follows:

First Offense: \$250
Repeat Offense: \$500

Notice from Spring Back in 6/23/2020

Hi Tim,

I hope you are well! It's been a while since we spoke back at the hazmat event a few years ago. I wanted to touch base and see how everything is going from a mattress recycling standpoint. We value having Summit County as our customer and the opportunity to partner with you in your recycling efforts.

To continue to be able to serve you well we are raising our recycling rates effective August 1st. The new recycling fee per mattress or box spring is \$16.00 per item. This will include the trailer swap and the trailer rental. It looks like we usually receive six mattress trailers from Summit County each year. In the months you don't need a swap we would invoice for the trailer rental at \$200. Salt Lake County and Salt Lake City have a similar arrangement with us for mattress recycling.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Jeff

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**SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH
ORDINANCE NO. 233-A
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 233**

TITLE 4, CHAPTER 2, MATERIALS DEPOSITED IN DUMPSTERS

WHEREAS, Summit County previously adopted Ordinance 233 on June 13, 1994, which has since been codified in Title 4, Chapter 2, “Materials Deposited in Dumpsters,” of the Summit County Code setting forth the prohibitions for materials deposited in dumpsters; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Ordinance 233, Summit County Public Works has been facing difficulties with residents of and visitors to Summit County who improperly use dumpsters provided for by Summit County; and

WHEREAS, in Public Works’ experience, they have seen violations ranging from the dumping of hazardous or recyclable materials into dumpsters designed for household waste to the dumping of waste materials outside of the dumpsters, among others; and

WHEREAS, the above-described violations are not clearly accounted for in the current version of Ordinance 233 so it is in the County’s best interests to amend Ordinance 233 to provide for greater enforcement mechanisms to ensure the health and safety of Summit County residents;

WHEREAS, this Ordinance accordingly amends Summit County Code, Title 4, Chapter 2.

NOW THEREFORE, the County Legislative Body of the County of Summit, State of Utah, hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1: The Council hereby amends the Summit County Code, Title 4, Chapter 2 in accordance with Exhibit A herein

Section 2: Effective Date: This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the date of its publication.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED and ordered published by the Summit County Council, this ___ day of September, 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH

By Council Chair

ATTEST:

SUMMIT COUNTY CLERK

Date of Publication _____, 2020.

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 2
MATERIALS DEPOSITED IN DUMPSTERS

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4-2-1: DEFINITIONS:

When used in this chapter, the following words or terms shall have the following meanings:

DUMPSTER: A ~~trash~~ container placed at various locations throughout Summit County for the collection of ~~residential garbage~~ Household Garbage by Summit County or its designated agents, assigns or lessees.

RECYCLE DUMPSTER: A container placed at various locations throughout Summit County for the collection of recyclable materials by Summit County or its designated agents, assigns or lessees. Acceptable materials will be designated on the Recycle Dumpster or on an adjacent sign.

RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE: All waste accumulations of food items, plastics, glass, metal food containers and paper generated by a residential household refuse accumulations from residences, which shall include paper, plastics, animal matter, fruit or vegetable matter, and similar waste from a residence. "Residential Household Garbage" does not include metal (except that which may have contained food products), rocks, concrete, bricks, plaster, dirt, lumber, building products, animal carcasses (wild or domestic), "hazardous materials", as defined by federal or state law, electronic waste of any kind, batteries of any kind, inflammable materials, or refuse and garbage or waste materials from industrial, commercial or construction operations, including new residential construction and remodel construction, and other similar waste not specifically listed.

4-2-2: DUMPSTER USE

All Dumpsters maintained and provided for public use by Summit County shall be for Household Garbage only, unless otherwise clearly marked by signs posted by Summit County at the Dumpster site. Dumpsters shall be for the use of residential homes that do not have curbside collection or specific Dumpster options already provided by Summit County, a municipal entity.

or other entity authorized to provide such service. Each residential household shall be limited to a combined total not to exceed 1.3 cubic yards of Household Garbage per month. All cardboard boxes or other bulky containers should be flattened prior to placement in the Dumpsters. When cardboard recycling options are provided, all cardboard shall be placed within the Recycling Dumpster provided. Recycling materials shall not be placed outside the Recycling Dumpster provided.

4-2-3: PROHIBITED MATERIALS:

It is unlawful for any ~~Person, partnership, entity, association or corporation~~ to deposit or cause to be deposited in a ~~D~~umpster or Recycle Dumpster any materials, products or items except "~~residential garbage~~", Household Garbage or recyclable materials when provided and designated on the Dumpster, as defined in section 4-2-1 of this chapter.

4-2-4: DUMPING FLAMMABLE MATERIALS.

It is unlawful for hot coals, charcoal, or any solid fuel source not fully extinguished and cool to the touch to be placed in the county Dumpsters.

4-2-5: DUMPING OUTSIDE OF DUMPSTER

A. All Household Garbage shall be deposited within the confines of the Dumpster. It is unlawful for any Person to dump, deposit or place or cause to be dumped, deposited or placed any Household Garbage at a Dumpster site maintained by Summit County at any place other than within the confines of the Dumpster. It is unlawful for any Person to dump, deposit or place or cause to be dumped, deposited or placed any other materials (not including Household Garbage) at a Dumpster site maintained by Summit County.

B. All recyclable materials shall be deposited within the confines of the Recycle Dumpster when provided and labeled. It is unlawful for any Person to dump, deposit or place, or cause to be dumped, deposited or placed any other non-recyclable materials in a Recycle Dumpster.

4-2-6: SCAVENGING OR REMOVAL OF CONTENTS

It is unlawful for any Person to enter, reach into, scavenge from, or remove any contents from a Dumpster or Recycle Dumpster.

4-2-7: LOITERING ON SITE

It is unlawful for any Person to loiter upon, park, stand, or remain on a Dumpster or Recycle Dumpster site maintained by Summit County except for the purpose of immediate disposal.

4-2-8: DAMAGE TO DUMPSTERS AND RECYCLE DUMPSTERS

It is unlawful for any Person to willfully or negligently break, deface or injure any Dumpster or Recycle Dumpster.

| [4-2-9](#): PENALTY:

A violation of this chapter is a class B misdemeanor, punishable as provided in section [1-4-1](#) of this code.