

From: [Julia Rhoads](#)
To: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: comment on 1/27 decision for waste agreement
Date: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:44:49 PM

Hello Ms. June Lemos and Fort Bragg City Council,

I have a few questions regarding your proposed adoption of a new Solid Waste Franchise Agreement on tomorrow's Special City Council Meeting agenda (1/27/2021).

- 1.) If the proposed contract from C&S Waste Solutions is so similar to the current agreement provided by WM as stated in the Financial Impact Item, what is the benefit to the city or clients in changing providers?
- 2.) Why is the city considering a 10-year contract when a 5 year (or less) contract with the current provider was considered unacceptable?
- 3.) Aside from WM allegedly delaying contract negotiations, were there issues or faults with services provided?
- 4.) Was WM given notice that bids were being taken regardless of their "uninterest" in bidding on current contracts? If it was decided by the County Board of Supervisors on December 8 to bid out the contract, why did this process not occur? Why not put the contract out publicly and allow both (or more) parties the opportunity to bid on the franchise?
- 5.) Where is the facility proposed by C&S Waste located?

Although the proposal looks fine and well referenced, I question granting this contract with only a brief decision period for the council to consider, given no other proposals presented or accepted from the current contractor or other interested parties. Thank you for your consideration and work providing services to our community.

Respectfully,
Julie Rhoads
Fort Bragg, CA

From: [Alfred Postler](#)
To: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: Keep current waste management provider
Date: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:34:20 PM

Hi,

I just found out that there is a meeting tomorrow about awarding the waste management contract to a new outfit. Please reconsider and at a minimum allow a bid process for the contract to take place. Jobs are on the line and I don't see a need to change providers.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Fred Postler
Country Road resident in Fort Bragg

From: [Joy](#)
To: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: Object to awarding a contract to C&S without going out to bid
Date: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:34:26 PM

I'm against awarding the garbage contract to C&S without a full RFP process. I have a number of questions:

- 1) why this demand from C&S to make a decision within 30 days?
- 2) why award a contract to C&S for 10 years instead of extending with WM for 5 if the RFP process is such an issue?
- 3) where will their physical location here be? That info seems to be redacted
- 4) appears C&S will offer current employees jobs, but at what salaries/benefits?
- 5) will there still be a buy back recycle center starting on July 1? I believe the terms I read said that C&S didn't have to have anything available for 6 months after current service (WM) ceases?

Joy Korstjens

From: jlemos@mcn.org
To: "Michelle Deering"
Cc: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: RE: City of Fort Bragg Garbage Contract
Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 7:56:55 AM

Hi Michelle,

I believe you meant this email to go to my sister, June Lemos, who is the Fort Bragg City Clerk. I am not involved in the City's contracting decisions. I have forwarded this email to June.

Kindly,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Deering <deering@mcn.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:31 PM
To: jlemos@mcn.org
Subject: City of Fort Bragg Garbage Contract

Hi Jone,

I just heard that the City is considering awarding a 10 year garbage contract with C&S instead of renewing with Waste Management.
Waste Management has always done a great job and kept our rates low.

It would be better to allow the contract to be put out for bid, rather than allow a unilateral decision.
Please consider my objection at tomorrow's special City Council meeting.

Thank-you,

Michelle Deering

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From: [Sonia Castro](#)
To: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: C&S vs Waste Management
Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 9:06:32 AM

I'm against the contract with C&S without knowing more information:

- 1) why award a contract to C&S for 10 years instead of extending with WM for 5?
- 2) What will be current employees salaries/benefits?
- 3) Where will they be located and how will this change for current customers?

I would like more information in this matter and I hope my concerns are taken into consideration.

From: [Tori Norville](#)
To: [Lemos, June](#)
Subject: Garbage Contract
Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 9:37:03 AM

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express concern about awarding the garbage contract to C&S without a full RFP process. I have a few questions:

1. How is awarding C&S (essentially a new entity to the community) a contract for 10 years better than extending with WM (the known entity for the community) for 5 years if the RFP process such an issue and "during non-pandemic times takes months to develop, issue, review and award" (Letter from Bruce McCracken to Howard Dshiell and Tabatha Miller).
2. While I understand working with local companies, how is this change in service providers going to affect the customers? Will the locations for recycling still be available? What will the transition between the two service providers look like if this contract is awarded to C&S?
3. C&S appears to offer current employers jobs, but at what salaries and benefits? Would these be competitive with their current salaries and benefits?
4. Why does C&S demanding a decision be made within 30 days? I understand that it takes time to move infrastructure around and get ramped up to take on a new community. However, the timing and nature of the "demand" from C&S about a response is disconcerting to me and I feel the City of Fort Bragg is being pressured into something.
Thank you for your time and concern in this matter.

Respectfully,
Tori Norville

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