



## Council Agenda Form

<b>MOTION #</b>		<b>DRAFT #</b>
<b>DATE SUBMITTED:</b> 08/27/2022	<b>DATE TO GO BEFORE COUNCIL:</b>	
<b>SUBMITTED BY: D Schaible</b>		
<b>DEPARTMENT: Legislative</b>		

### **TITLE OF MOTION: SMART Waste Management Study**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the procurement of a SMART (Save Money And Reduce Trash) Waste Management Study, to expand upon the Hyattsville Solid Waste Collection Study completed by SCS Engineers in August of 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

[SMART waste management programs](#), also known as unit-based pricing or pay-as-you-throw, provide a powerful tool to dramatically reduce trash and increase recycle and compost participation. Over 7,000 jurisdictions across the United States utilize SMART waste policies, saving residents and local governments money and reducing per capita trash generation by as much as 50%.

The 2021 [Hyattsville Solid Waste Collection Study](#), completed by SCS Engineers, provides an initial overview of SMART approaches to waste management, but lacks adequate analysis to inform the transition to a SMART program. Following the completion of this study, there remained many unanswered questions coming from Hyattsville council members regarding SMART waste management.

The proposed SMART Waste Management Study will provide much more robust analysis of the relative benefits and costs of SMART waste management programs. [The Statement of Work](#) for this study includes additional analysis on fiscal costs of implementation, relative environmental benefits, and an assessment of relevant case studies. The scope includes developing a pilot program based off of feedback from the Hyattsville City Council on the preferred SMART approach, and providing support for implementation and data collection/analysis of the pilot program.

#### **ANTICIPATED STAFF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT:**

Help will be needed with contract administration, and reviewing and providing feedback on drafts of the SMART Study. Hyattsville DPW staff will need to work with the project contractor on implementation of the pilot, which may include community outreach, infrastructure investments, and procurement of bags/tags/receptacles etc. Close coordination between the Contractor and DPW will be necessary during the study and pilot phases to help establish baseline data and understand the efficacy of pilot program.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR / DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR COMMENT:** (must be approved by City Administrator):

Tracey Nicholson, City Administrator

#### **STRATEGIC GOALS AND ACTIONS:**

Goal 3 – Enhance a safe and pleasant community

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:**

[SMART Statement of Work, FINAL, 2022-08-27.docx](#)

[Trash Study Draft Final Report City of Hyattsville.docx](#)

[Save Money and Reduce Trash \(ct.gov\)](#)

**CURRENT YEAR BUDGET IMPACT:** TBD by DPW. Estimated by CM Schaible at \$60,000.

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