



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution authorizes an amendment to an existing non-competitive purchase of services contract with Sustain Dane. The current contract provides for Sustain Dane to administer a program to collect food scraps for recycling at two farmers' markets during the 2022 and 2023 seasons and is funded by a US Department of Agriculture grant to the city. The remaining grant funds will cover eight weeks of staffing at the two markets in 2023. The proposed contract amendment will extend the program for the full 2023 farmers' market season at a cost of \$20,000. The extension will be funded by the existing Sustainability Improvements capital budget. No appropriation is required.

Title

A Resolution authorizing the Finance Director or their Designee to execute an amendment to the non-competitive purchase of services contract with Sustain Dane to provide additional weeks of staffing for the food scraps recycling drop-off sites at two neighborhood farmer's markets in 2023.

Body

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2021, the Madison Common Council adopted a Resolution (RES-21-00618) to address food waste that had the support of the Sustainable Madison Committee and the Madison Food Policy Council; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned resolution sets a food waste diversion goal of 50% from the landfill by 2030 and commits to establishing metrics for measuring and tracking progress; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the City partnered with Sustain Dane to apply for a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) grant to support implementation of a Community Food Waste Reduction Initiative and was subsequently awarded \$90,000 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the Madison Common Council adopted a Resolution (RES-21-00714) to accept the award from the USDA and amend the Sustainability Improvements Capital Budget to add \$90,000 in grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the Madison Common Council adopted a Resolution (RES-22-00055) to contract with Sustain Dane to administer the Community Food Waste Reduction Initiative; and

WHEREAS, a key part of the Community Food Waste Reduction Initiative is collecting food scraps for recycling at farmers' markets during the 2022 and 2023 seasons; and

WHEREAS, Sustain Dane successfully administered this program and demonstrated success during the 2022 farmers' market season, collecting 10,765 pounds of foods scraps for composting at the South Madison and Eastside farmers' markets; and

WHEREAS, the USDA grant funding only provides 8 weeks of staffing at the two markets in 2023; and

WHEREAS, additional funding will allow Sustain Dane to extend the market drop-off for food scraps recycling for the complete 2023 season of the Eastside and South Madison farmers' markets; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Sustainability Improvements Capital Budget includes \$30,000 for Zero Waste programming; and

WHEREAS, the amendment to extend the market drop-off for food scraps recycling for the complete 2023 season of the two markets is \$20,000, which would be drawn from the Sustainability Improvements Capital

Budget, meaning no new funds would be required for this amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council approves an amendment to the Sustain Dane contract to administer the Community Food Waste Reduction Initiative for a one year term at a cost of \$20,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council approves the Finance Director or their Designee to sign the contract documents.