

To: **Mayor and City Council**
Through: **Ryan Schroeder, City Manager**
From: **Shirley Buecksler, City Clerk**
Date: **January 11, 2021**

Final Reading of Ordinance No. 21-001 Regarding Solid Waste Abatement

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At their December 14, 2020 meeting, Council heard from Recycling Coordinator Cassandra Johnson, along with Dave Magnuson and Jon Buck of Dakota County Environmental Resources, regarding the requirement for the City of West St. Paul to update its ordinance regarding solid waste abatement. This is a housekeeping item to amend the current City ordinance, and many of the requirements are already being accomplished. All Cities with populations over 10,000 must enact and enforce a City ordinance consistent with Dakota County Ordinance 110.

The County updated Ordinance 110 in late 2019 with a number of new recycling requirements applying to municipalities and all generators throughout the county. These updates include requirements for the City to:

- Provide recycling containers co-located with all trash containers at all city parks and facilities;
- Follow County designated labeling requirements on all containers;
- Provide standard education requirements to employees, tenants, and contractors; and
- Submit an annual report at the end of each year on the program's effectiveness.

Ordinance 110 also requires multi-family buildings and large venues with organics to comply with Section 16. Large venues with organics includes those generators with one ton of municipal solid waste per week, such as those with a cafeteria or centralized food preparation location, as in hospitals, schools, stadiums and sports facilities.

Ordinance No. 21-001 Regarding Solid Waste Abatement is attached for Council review.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Council must hold a Public Hearing on this ordinance amendment. By motion, approve the final reading and pass Ordinance No. 21-001 Enacting West St. Paul City Code Section 92.11 and Amending Sections 92.02, 92.03 and 92.08 Regarding Solid Waste Abatement.