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## Public Works Department

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Public Works Director

July 17, 2019

RE: Solid Waste Collection

Dear Honorable President and Members of the City Council:

The Public Works Department has been involved for over three years in reviewing programs and options for solid waste collection, development of bid documents and evaluation of bid submittals.

Of all bids received, I recommend that the two cart program awarded to FCC is the lowest and best bid which provides the standard level of service that is needed by a majority of the households served. Provided is information supporting my recommendation.

### FCC Solid Waste Collection Contractor

- FCC is clearly the lowest and best bid and is in line with industry estimates, and their proposed resources are on the high end and above the other bidders.
- The number of collection trucks and personnel proposed by FCC to collect solid waste is about 48% greater than proposed by WCS.
- FCC has a successful history of servicing US cities of similar size including experience in transitioning a large contract to automated collection.
- FCC will provide over 130 jobs in the Omaha area, with preference for hiring locally.
- FCC will establish a local call center in Omaha operated by Omaha residents to serve this contract.
- Committed to form FCC Environmental Nebraska which will be headquartered in Omaha to serve and develop future Midwest customers.
- Strong financial background with the initial capital needed to fully fund operations in Omaha.
- Ten million dollar investment in a local facility and an additional investment of 20 to 24 million dollars in vehicles and equipment.
- Dedicated to partnering with the community, as indicated in the company's EEIP that has been reviewed and approved by the City's Human Rights and Relations Department.
- 15 year cart warranty exceeding the 12 year minimum requirement.

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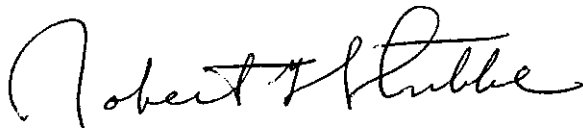
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#### Two Cart Collection Alternative

- The two cart collection alternative meets the needs of a majority of households.
- The five year average of 39 pounds of garbage and yard waste generated per household will easily fit in a 96 gallon cart.
- Covered recycling bins provide for increased landfill diversion and reduction in litter.
- Co-mingled yard waste is the most cost effective alternative reducing collection routes from three passes to two passes and eliminates the \$6.8 million dollar cost for composting.
- Co-mingled yard waste deposited at Pheasant Point Landfill, which has an active methane gas collection and control system along with electric generation, is a statutorily allowed management approach.
- Landfills are required by federal law to continually expand their gas collection and control system as the site is developed.
- Lawn retention of yard waste and backyard composting meets the number one solid waste management preference in state law of volume reduction at the source.

A significant amount of effort has been expended to develop a solid waste collection program that meets statutory requirements, provides a standard level of service and assess the overall impact and risk to the taxpayers. FCC has the experience, the resources and the financial capability to successfully perform this contract.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert G. Stubbe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "S".

Robert G. Stubbe, P.E.

Public Works Director

c: Mayor Stothert