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To: Robert Ellis, Public Works Director

From: Jerry W. Cole, Director 
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Subject: Compost and Wood Chip Mulch used on Parks and Recreation Department Projects

Date: June 9, 2010

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In the past the Parks and Recreation Department has used the $\frac{3}{4}$ compost and wood chip landscape mulch produced by the Public Works Department. Landscape Designer Randy Lyons and other Parks Division staff have worked directly with Public Works staff to supply the material for the projects at no cost. This has been very successful for our projects and we would like to continue in the same manner if authorized by the City Council. These products enhance our parks that are enjoyed by the public on a daily basis.

Lon Van Deusen,
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I understand that Randy Lyons discussed this issue with you and the result of that conversation was that the Parks Division will use the co-compost material for large grading projects such as recreation fields or large open space areas that need to be reclaimed. The $\frac{3}{4}$ compost will be used in localized applications; for example, near playgrounds, planting beds, or in areas where lower volumes can be utilized. The wood chip mulch will be utilized for new planting beds and routine maintenance of other planting areas around the City.

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I hope this proposal is acceptable. If you have any questions, please contact me.