



CITY OF RAPID CITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rapid City Council

FROM: Karl Merbach, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request for waiving disposal fees

CC: Terry Wolterstorff

DATE: July 31, 2012

A request to waive landfill fees was received from Historic Rapid City for disposal of construction debris from the renovation of the V.T. McGillycuddy home. Historic Rapid City is a not-for-profit organization. (See attached request letter)

The group has estimated the restoration project will require four or five 20-yard dumpsters for disposal of the construction debris. Historic Rapid City is proposing to recycle as much as possible to achieve a LEED certified project. This has been taken into account in the estimate below.

Estimated Disposal Cost- McGillycuddy Home

- 2-20 yd dumpsters construction debris @ 4.0 ton/container = \$500
- 1-20 yd dumpster - separated clean wood (compost) @ 3.0 ton/container = \$64
- 1-20 yd dumpster – Recyclable materials (doors & wood to Habitat), clean metal = \$0
 - **Total Estimated Landfill Fees to be waived = \$564**

Solid Waste Staff recommends this request be denied. In my tenure as Superintendent of Solid Waste, a waiver of landfill fees has not been approved. There is a rate for non-profit resale stores (Goodwill, Club for Boys, Rescue Mission), however, this does not directly apply to other non-profit organizations.

While staff agrees this is a commendable community project, we are concerned that waiving landfill fees for one not-for-profit will set precedence for future requests.

8.08.240 Charges.

A. No person, firm, corporation or other entity shall place or cause to be placed any refuse, of any type or source, upon the landfill without having first paid the fee prescribed by resolution of the Common Council.

B. The Common Council may from time to time approve donations or reduced rates for material available for purchase or being disposed of or received by the Solid Waste Division.

Historic Rapid City

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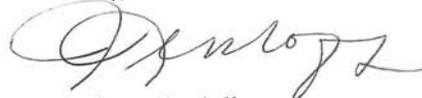
Dear Mr. Merback,

Historic Rapid City is a 501 C (3) not-for-profit organization that is restoring the historic 1888 V. T. McGillicuddy house. Starting this week, we will begin phase 1 of the restoration of the upper story. This requires demolition of the current upper story and therefore the need for a dumpster that has been donated by Kieffer Sanitation. We are requesting the city waive the landfill charges for the dumpster. We are anticipating the need for a 20 yard dumpster with the approximate number of times the dumpster will need to be emptied to be about 4 to 5 times. Content of the dumpster will consist of construction debris.

The restoration also includes the house to be LEED certified, therefore, with the demolition, we will be recycling as much of the materials as possible.

We appreciate any help the city can do for us in this matter. Please call me at 341-5398 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Jean Oleson Kessloff