



# News Release

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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### ***City to Contract with Republic Services for Solid Waste Collection; Outgoing Council Members Recognized***

At the May 9 meeting, Council received a presentation from Solid Waste Specialists, LLC on the proposals received for solid waste and recycling services in Highland Village. In March 2023, the City advertised the request for proposals and the proposals were accepted on April 10, 2023. Staff and the consultant, Solid Waste Specialists, LLC, reviewed the submitted proposals and recommended the Council initiate a contract with Republic Services. The proposal from Republic provides enhanced service over the current solid waste contract, including vendor provided 95-gallon trash carts for automated pickup along with a second truck following to pickup bags that did not fit in the cart. Republic will provide 95-gallon recycling carts for automated pickup. Bulk item pickup increases to three cubic yards over the current two cubic yards, yard waste collection continues on Mondays as well as a curbside household hazardous waste program. Residents will also have the ability to deliver material to the Camelot landfill. The monthly resident fee is \$20.44 and \$18.43 for seniors, which is lower than the current rate. The current solid waste contract expires September 30, 2023. City staff will work with Republic to provide residents and businesses information to foster a smooth transition to Republic Services.

Mayor Jaworski recognized outgoing council members Mike Lombardo and Tom Heslep. Mayor Pro Tem Mike Lombardo has served on Council since 2014 and has reached his term limits. Prior to serving on Council, he served two years on the Planning & Zoning Commission. Councilman Tom Heslep was elected to Council in 2019 and served on the Planning & Zoning Commission for nearly three years.

"I will miss serving alongside both of these men and I am grateful for their service, friendship and leadership," stated Mayor Dan Jaworski.

Also at this meeting, City Council re-appointed Rich Lubke as the City's representative on the Upper Trinity Regional Water District Board of Directors. Mr. Lubke has served as the City's representative since July 1994 and has served as past Board President from 2001-2003, and 2019-2021.

Mayor Jaworski recognized the Marcus High School Girls Soccer Team for their State Championship win, the first 6A win for the team. The Highland Village Police Department was also recognized for National Police Week.

During the City Manager's Report, the [Village Report](#) featured Experiencing Sip + Savor and a police department recruitment video.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Frontier 43), via website live streaming at [www.highlandvillage.org/hvtv](http://www.highlandvillage.org/hvtv) and on the City's YouTube channel at

[www.youtube.com/highlandvillagetx](http://www.youtube.com/highlandvillagetx). The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city [website](#).