Memorandum

CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 17, 2026

TO Honorable Members of the City Council Finance Committee: Chad West (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Zarin Gracey, Maxie Johnson, Jesse Moreno, Jaime Resendez, Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **December 9, 2026 City Council Agenda Item #26-3570A – Grinding Services for Yard Waste Processing**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information on an upcoming agenda item for City Council consideration on December 9, 2026, to authorize the execution of a service price agreement for Grinding Services for Yard Waste Processing in support of the Department of Sanitation Services.

Background and Overview

Sanitation uses grinding services to process wood and yard waste generated through routine collection activities and other City operations. Grinding reduces material volume and prepares processed yard waste for disposal or beneficial reuse while supporting efficient landfill operations and environmental compliance.

The proposed agreement is an indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity (ID/IQ) service price agreement with an initial three-year term and two one-year renewal options to be awarded to the recommended vendor, TOR Texas, LLC, DBA The Organic Recycler, in the estimated amount of $1,816,630.00. Services will be ordered on an as-needed basis through delivery orders, subject to annual appropriations.

The contractor will provide the equipment, operators, labor, and materials necessary to process yard waste, primarily at McCommas Bluff Landfill, with the ability for the City to request services at other locations when needed, including emergency locations following natural disasters.

Scope of Services

The agreement provides for grinding and processing of clean wood waste and contaminated yard waste, including sorting, staging, removal of oversized or non-processable materials, and management of contamination.

Services include, but are not limited to:

- **Clean Yard Waste Processing:** Grind vegetative material such as brush, tree and shrub trimmings, and other clean wood waste while separating incidental contaminants and oversized materials
- **Contaminated Yard Waste Processing:** Process material containing higher levels of contamination and perform additional segregation, containment, or disposal procedures when required

- **Equipment and Staffing:** Provide industrial-grade mobile grinding equipment, qualified operators, labor, supervision, and all materials needed to complete each service request
- **Volume Reduction and Production:** Meet required processing rates and volume-reduction standards, with production documented through daily operational logs
- **Emergency Response:** Prioritize equipment and capacity following declared natural disasters or other urgent conditions and maintain operations until emergency grinding activities are complete

Fiscal Impact

The initial three-year contract amount is estimated at $1,075,280.00 with two one-year renewal options in the estimated amount of $741,350.00 for a total estimated contract amount of $1,816,630.00. Payments will be based on actual need and are subject to annual budget appropriations.

As an ID/IQ agreement, expenditures will be incurred only as delivery orders are issued and services are performed. Estimated quantities are not guaranteed and may vary based on operational needs.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at alina.ciocan@dallas.gov or the Director of Sanitation, Clifton Gillespie, at clifton.gillespie@dallas.gov.

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