

MEMORANDUM

Department of Public Works



DATE: April 28, 2021

TO: Mayor and Council

THROUGH: Steve McHarris, City Manager *Steve McHarris*

FROM: Tony Ndaah, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Neighborhood Cleanup Program

Background:

This memorandum provides an update about upcoming Neighborhood Cleanup events. As part of the FY 20/21 budget, Council approved funding for Neighborhood Cleanup Events for the community, also known as "Dumpster Days". Staff have been working with Milpitas Sanitation, Inc. (MSI) to conduct four separate Dumpster Day events and develop a pilot coupon disposal program as an alternative to dropping off large items and debris directly at the landfill.

Dumpster Day Events

The four Dumpster Days will take place between May and August 2021, and the events are open to all Milpitas residents regardless of their resident address. The first event is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the centrally located Milpitas Community Center (457 E Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas) from 9:00AM – 12:00PM, which will be promoted through all City communication channels. Staff is in the process of identifying the locations for the other three events with the intent of strategically covering all residential areas of the City.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, residents will be asked to register on the City's website in advance of the event using SignUpGenius in order to limit the number of participants at the event at any given time. There will be multiple concurrent 30-minute time slots available for sign-up to maximize the number of residents being able to participate and provide sufficient time for residents to unload their individual vehicles. Staff involvement at the Dumpster Day events will be limited to verifying the Milpitas residency of attendees and directing traffic flow and vehicles to specific debris containers. Staff will not physically assist residents in unloading items.

Residents will be able to dispose of items such as mattresses, cabinets, appliances, bricks, and scrap wood. For E-Waste and tire collection at the events, staff is partnering with the San Jose Conservation Corps and Charter School. Household Hazardous Waste (such as batteries, light bulbs, used paint, etc) will not be accepted.

Pilot Coupon Disposal Program

As an alternative to the Dumpster Day events, staff are working with MSI to develop a pilot coupon disposal program that will allow residents to directly dispose waste at the MSI facility in Santa Clara. More information on the pilot coupon program will be provided as soon as details are finalized.