



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 18-00314

City Council

8/9/2018

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council Vice President Sherri F. Myers

SUBJECT:

VOTE OF “NO CONFIDENCE” FOR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR RELATED TO THE HANDLING OF THE RECYCLING ISSUE

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council take a vote of “No Confidence” for the City Administrator, Eric Olson, in relation to his handling of the recycling issue.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The City Council was notified in May of 2018 that Tarpon Paper had stopped taking recyclables from the City. Subsequently, the City’s recyclables were taken to the landfill. It appears that the last recycling load taken to Tarpon Paper was in September of 2017.

From September of 2017 until May of 2018 the City Administrator failed to notify the governing body or the citizens that recyclables were being taken to the landfill instead of to a recycling facility.

It has been reported that Tarpon Paper charged the City \$12.50 a ton for recyclables. It was further reported that the Perdido Landfill charges \$45.06 per ton for solid waste while the Executive Director of ECUA stated that the charge would be around \$5.00 per ton for municipal recycling.

This item seeks a “No Confidence” vote for City Administrator Eric Olson for his handling of the recycling issue and lack of notification to the City Council and the citizens of Pensacola.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Olson Memorandum of May 2, 2018 Recycling Program

PRESENTATION: No