## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM #2013 – 21

DATE:	May 13, 2013
TO:	Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members
FROM:	David Willett, Acting City Manager

SUBJECT: CB – 1802; Proposed Revisions to Chapter 16, Article 2 of the Northglenn Municipal Code
CB – 1803; Proposed Revisions to Chapter 16, Article 7 of the Northglenn Municipal Code

# BACKGROUND

### Article 2

Chapter 16, Article 2 of the Northglenn Municipal Code contains provisions allowing contractors the capability of pulling blanket permits and using blanket bonds to cover maintenance operations on a calendar year basis. The original intent was based on repetitive type work to maintain utility services. Over time, with the advent of new technologies and continued growth in the North Metro area, the amount of work within the public-right-of-way has increased causing a large number of disturbances to roadways, sidewalks, trails and other infrastructure for the installation of fiber optic lines, new services, increased capacity, replacement of worn out or obsolete utilities, etc.

Utility companies utilize a wide array of contractors to do a majority of their work. The utility companies reference the contractors as "subcontractors." It has been past practice to use their blanket bonds as an umbrella to cover the work of their subcontractors. These subcontractors are not directly supervised by the utility companies and are, in effect, independent contractors.

Several issues of concern have arisen including contractors operating without a permit, expired bonds, inadequate bond coverage, little or no traffic control, work left incomplete for long periods of time, etc. Many of these issues have become a concern to city staff whose responsibility is to safeguard the public and ensure the City's infrastructure is maintained to standards and specifications.

Attached to this memorandum is CB-1802 which would eliminate blanket permits and bonds and would require each individual contractor to permit and bond work that they perform in the City's ROW.

#### Article 7

On July 1, 2013 the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) will implement a ban prohibiting the vast majority of electronic devices from being accepted at Colorado landfills. The Sanitation Division of the Public Works department is currently taking steps to prepare for the ban and inform Northglenn residents prior to the ban taking effect.

Also, over the past year, many residents have expressed an interest in obtaining an additional recycling container. Recycling is a popular program, provides environmental stewardship and helps reduce operating costs. Allowing resident the opportunity to increase recycling and reduce trash volume makes sense both economically and environmentally.

Attached to this memorandum is CB-1803 which would reflect changes eliminating the collection of electronic waste and also allowing residents to have more than one recycling container.

#### **BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS**

The time frame for the implementation of the proposed revision to **Article 2** is **July 1, 2013** in order to comply with State statute. Additionally there has been \$30,000 set aside in the 2013 Sanitation Fund budget to assist in education and promotion of alternatives for banned electronic waste materials.

The time frame for implementation of the proposed revisions to **Article 7** is recommended to take effect **January 1**, **2014** allowing contractors sufficient time to plan for the changes.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Attached to this memorandum are Council Bills that, if approved, would revise Chapter 16, Articles 2 and 7 of the Northglenn Municipal Code.

Staff recommends approval of these Council Bills.

#### **STAFF REFERENCE**

Norm Bell, Acting Director of Public Works

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### SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DOWNING

COUNCILMAN'S BILL

ORDINANCE NO.

No. <u>CB-1803</u> Series of 2013

Series of 2013

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 7 OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE NORTHGLENN MUNICIPAL CODE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>. Section 16-7-4 of the Northglenn Municipal Code is amended by the addition thereto of a new subsection (a)(4) to read as follows:

(a) The Director shall not collect as trash any of the following materials:

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(4) ELECTRONIC WASTE INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: COMPUTERS, PRINTERS, FACSIMILE MACHINES, DIGITAL VIDEO DISC PLAYERS, VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDERS, PERIPHERALS, RADIOS, STEREOS, VIDEO GAME CONSOLES, MONITORS, LAPTOPS, TELEVISIONS, NOTEBOOKS, TABLETS, ELECTRONIC BOOKS OR ANYTHING WITH A SCREEN THAT MEASURES MORE THAN FOUR (4) INCHES DIAGONALLY BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY TYPE OF TELEPHONE.

Section 2. Section 16-7-5, subsection (a)(3) of the Northglenn Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Director, in the Director's discretion, may authorize a special pickup for the collection of the following materials:

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(3) Stoves, water heaters, washing machines, laundry drying machines, dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, television sets, or other majors appliances of like size and weight,

Section 3. Section 16-7-8, subsection (a) of the Northglenn Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(a) Unless as otherwise provided in this ordinance, the maximum trash AND RECYCLING volume collected at any one regular weekly pick-up shall be limited to no more than three (3) FOUR (4) APPROVED CONTAINERS IN ANY COMBINATION PROVIDED AT LEAST ONE OF WHICH MUST BE EITHER TRASH OR RECYCLING. LIMITATIONS OF TRASH AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME BY COUNCIL RESOLUTION.

<u>Section 4</u>. Section 16-7-10 of the Northglenn Municipal Code is amended by the addition thereto of a new subsection (a)(3) to read as follows:

(a) All trash and recyclables to be collected by the City, except as otherwise provided in this section, shall be placed in the following authorized type of container:

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(3) IN THE EVENT A RESIDENT HAS THREE (3) TRASH CONTAINERS AND ONE RECYCLING CONTAINER AND WISHES TO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL RECYCLING CONTAINER, THE CITY WILL EXCHANGE THE GREEN LID FROM ONE OF THE RESIDENT'S TRASH CONTAINERS AND FURNISH A BLUE LID. THE RESIDENT WILL RETAIN OWNERSHIP OF THE CONTAINER. HOWEVER, THE CONTAINER CAN NO LONGER BE USED FOR TRASH. THE TOTAL CONTAINER LIMIT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 16-7-8 SHALL APPLY.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ORDERED POSTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

JOYCE DOWNING Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC City Clerk PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

JOYCE DOWNING Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN City Attorney