

TO: Members of Council

Thomas R Kneeland, Mayor Shane Ewald, City Attorney

FROM: Robert Priestas, Director of Public Service and Engineering

DATE: March 15, 2019

RE: Report to Council, March 25, 2019

## ACTION ITEM #1: CHAPTER 941 CODE UPDATES

As you are aware, in January of this year, we entered into a grant agreement with SWACO and the Recycling Partnership to take advantage of a unique grant opportunity that will allow the City to purchase recycling carts at a greatly reduced cost which allows us to transition to cart based recycling. In order to charge the necessary fees to recover the cost of the cart purchase, it was necessary to update code with the applicable fees for the cart based recycling program. This will include the monthly cart fee, and the fees associated with the purchase of additional carts.

Legislation Needed: Ordinance Emergency/Waiver: None

Vendor Name: n/a Vendor Address: n/a

Already Appropriated (Amounts & Accounts): n/a Supplemental/Transfer (Amounts & Accounts): n/a

## **UPDATES**

2019 SHRED EVENT: The event will take place on April 27<sup>th</sup> in the City Hall parking lot from 9:00am-12:00pm. Ohio Mobile Shredding (OMS) will be providing the paper shredding services (free of charge). Due to the labor costs, in addition to the significant decline in commodity prices for copper, aluminum and steel, no electronic recycling will be offered at this event. It will be paper only.

SAVE THE DATE – BIG WALNUT TRAIL SECTION 4 RIBBON CUTTING: The City of Gahanna will be celebrating completion of Big Walnut Trail Section 4 and hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony for its newest trail located at the intersection of Cherry Bottom and East Johnstown Roads on Friday, April 26. Please save the date! The event is tentatively scheduled from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., however, this is still in the preliminary planning stages, so there will much more information and detail provided at a later date. Please contact me with any questions.

HAMILTON ROAD CENTRAL RECEIVES AN AWARD: The Hamilton Road Central Project was one of seven projects in the State of Ohio that received an Outstanding Achievement Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies. The award recognizes projects that demonstrate a high degree of



uniqueness, ingenuity, and value. In addition to receiving the state award, the project has also won a National Recognition Award, and will be recognized at the National Awards Gala in Washington D.C., on May 7, 2019 for its exceptional achievement in engineering.