

7.0 Public Participation

7.1 Public Meeting on Project Alternatives

Starting with a public City Council meeting held June 12, 2006, the City has discussed and explored the feasibility of various alternatives for this project at several public City Council Meetings. These meetings provided a public forum for the City to understand the available technologies to develop its landfill gas as a green energy resource as well as the economic feasibility of the various alternatives. This effort culminated in the City authorizing a formal gas-to-energy feasibility study, a gas collection system engineering and design project, and a project plan development project. The results of this feasibility study informed the current project plan document.

7.2 The Formal Public Hearing

7.2.1 Public Advertisement

The May 4th public advertisement for a public hearing to be held on June 8th, 2009 is attached in Appendix D. This notice appears in the May 4th, 2009 issue of *The Midland Daily News*, a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

An additional notice, published the same day, entitled “Notice to Electors and Taxpayers of the City of Midland of Intent to Issue Bonds Secured by the Taxing Power of the City and Right of Referendum Thereon,” is also attached in Appendix E.

7.2.2 Public Hearing Transcript

A transcript of the formal public hearing will be recorded and attached to the final project plan in Appendix F.

7.2.3 Public Hearing Contents

Presentation materials presented at the formal public hearing will be reproduced in Appendix G to the final project plan report.

7.2.4 Comments Received and Answered

A itemized list of the public comments received and their subsequent answers will be presented in Appendix H to the final project plan report.

7.3 Adoption of the Project Plan

If adopted by the City Council, the resolution adopting the project plan will be included in Appendix I to the final project plan report.

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