

# Environmental Hazmat Services Contract Extension

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee  
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# Introduction

- Background
- Existing Agreement
- Resolution #21-0982
- Financials



# Background

## Contract Purpose

- Protect public health of all residents & city employees
- Disposal of hazardous waste by properly trained and equipped hazardous waste management professionals
- Cleaning of public space
- Collect, inventory, store, and secure items

## Agency Utilization

- DDPHE sponsoring agency
  - Hazardous waste management
- Also utilized by
  - Parks & Recreation
  - Dpt. of Safety
  - DOTI

## Current Agreement

- Expires Oct. 10, 2021
- Amended in 2020 to include rapid response services

# Hazardous waste is...

## Household hazardous waste



**CORROSIVE**  
Batteries  
Drain Cleaners  
Oven Cleaners



**TOXIC**  
Pesticides  
Rat Poison  
Pharmaceuticals  
Cleaning Fluids



**REACTIVE**  
Pool Chemicals  
Ammonia  
Bleach  
Aerosols



**FLAMMABLE**  
Paints, Solvents  
Oils, Gasoline  
BBQ Starter  
Propane Cylinders



# Hazardous waste is...

## Chemical and medical waste



# Additional materials collected...

## Sharps & drug paraphernalia



# Additional materials collected ...

- Human & animal waste
- Food waste
- Soiled bedding
- Hazardous consumer goods
- Unusual collected items- refrigerants, industrial chemicals

# Public areas cleaned:

Alleys, sidewalks, near city buildings, parks & adjacent areas, riverbanks



# Contract Extension and Amendment Changes:

Extend End Date to October 10, 2023

Add new contract language that EHS and their staff are to:

- Attend and pass sensitivity training sponsored by HOST, plus scheduled refresher training
- Never engage with or negotiate with members of the public on behalf of the City in on-site clean-ups, always deferring to City representatives

# Contract Extension and Amendment Changes (continued) :

Add new contract language that EHS and their staff are to:

- Participate in structured on-site performance review with city staff after each clean-up
- Improve invoice practices to break-out on-site clean-up from off-site storage operation charges.
- Comply at all times with Lyall Settlement where relevant to their tasks as directed by City Attorney's Office

# City Oversight & Coordination

- Sign-off by city staff of EHS work completion
- Checklist for DOTI completion of site clean-up
- Review of storage site locations and hours

# Contract Expenditures To Date

## By Agency

Agency	Amount
DOTI	\$1,117,407
DPHE-EQ	\$18,401
Parks	\$354,465
Safety	\$79,788
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,570,061</b>

## By Year

Year	Amount
2018	\$60,172
2019	\$486,385
2020	\$598,237
2021 - YTD	\$425,267
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,570,061</b>

Approximate contract expenditures used for encampment cleanup: \$750K - \$900K

# Recap

- Protect Public Health
- Protect Public Spaces
- Protect City Employees