

RESOLUTION 2011-19

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS COMPOST MATERIAL BY THE CITY OF FRANKLIN STREETS DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, in 2010-2011, the City of Franklin's compost facility located on Incinerator Road produced 2,700 cubic yards of finished compost from leaves collected by the Streets Department and bagged yard debris collected by Solid Waste Department; and

WHEREAS, City staff estimates that approximately 3,500 cubic yards of compost will be produced in 2011-2012, which may leave excess compost available to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Streets Department is proposing that the compost be made available to citizens for sale at Twenty Dollars (\$20) per cubic yard and with a maximum purchase of three (3) cubic yards per day, so that individuals may use for yard and gardening work; and

WHEREAS, the sale of compost will be facilitated by the sale of vouchers at City Hall through the utility billing/customer service area; and the vouchers will be good for sixty (60) days from purchase and may be redeemed at the Incinerator Road compost site.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE THAT:

Section 1. The City of Franklin Streets Department is hereby authorized to dispose of surplus compost by selling to individuals at a cost of Twenty Dollars (\$20) per cubic yard, with a maximum purchase of three (3) cubic yards per day, when available. Individuals may purchase vouchers (which will be valid for sixty (60) days from the date of purchase) at the City's Utility Billing/Customer Service Department and redeem them for compost material at the Incinerator Road compost site. Surplus compost will be available for purchase at a first-come, first-served basis, and individuals are encouraged to contact the Streets Department to ensure availability of compost material.

Section 2. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2011.

ATTEST:

CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE

By: _____
ERIC S. STUCKEY
City Administrator/Recorder

By: _____
DR. KEN MOORE
Mayor

Approved as to form by:


Kristen L. Corn, Staff Attorney



MEMORANDUM

March 24, 2011

TO: Board of Mayor and Alderman

FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Russ Truell, ACA/CFO
Vernon Gerth, ACA Community and Economic Development
Joseph York, Streets Director

SUBJECT: Resolution 2011-19 Authorizing The Sale Of Surplus Compost Material By The City Of Franklin Streets Department

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information to consider the implementation of a program to sell excess compost to individual citizens at a rate of \$20.00 per cubic yard. (Resolution 2011-19)

Background

In 2010/2011, the City of Franklin's compost facility located on Incinerator Road produced 2,700 cubic yards of finished compost from leaves collected by the Streets Department and bagged yard debris collected by Solid Waste Department. The majority of this compost, 1,600 cubic yards, was used in Stormwater Projects. An additional 800 cubic yards was used for landscaping and various other City projects. The surplus was given away to citizens and City employees.

Staff estimates that approximately 3,500 cubic yards of compost will be produced in 2011/2012, leaving excess compost available to the public. The Streets Department is proposing that the compost be made available to citizens for sale at \$20 per cubic yard and with a maximum purchase of three cubic yards per day. This program is targeted to individual citizens for yard and gardening work. The daily limitation will allow for widespread availability to citizens. The sale of compost would be administered for the sale of vouchers at City Hall through our utility billing/customer service area. The vouchers will be good 60 days from purchase and would be redeemed at the Incinerator Road compost site.

Financial Impact

The implementation of a billing system of \$20.00 per cubic yard (with a limit of three cubic yards per day) for citizens of the City of Franklin for City- produced compost could result in an increase to the General Fund of up to approximately \$5,000. This would allow the City to recapture some of the investment involved in establishing the compost program.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the approval of Resolution 2011-19 implementing the sale of surplus compost by the City of Franklin Streets Department using a voucher system.