



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Date: May 12, 2014

To: Brian Kischnick, City Manager

From: Timothy Richnak, Public Works Director

Subject: Request for Amendment to Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan / Rizzo Environmental Services. (Introduced by: Public Works Director, Tim Richnak)

History

The County of Oakland enacted and the State of Michigan approved the Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan in 2000.

Rizzo Environmental Services has requested to have the Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan amended. The amendment is to add a Type A Transfer Station and Waste Processing Facility located at 900 Baldwin Avenue Pontiac Michigan. They have sought and gained approval from the host community of Pontiac, Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee and the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Oakland County conducted a 90 day public comment period regarding the proposed plan amendment. The amendment must also receive approval from 2/3 of the all Oakland County communities to be added to the solid waste plan.

The Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan states that the plan is to be updated every 5 years. It has not had an update since it was enacted. Oakland County has experienced significant changes in population, employment, waste generation, landfill capacity and recycling technology and the plan no longer reflects the current conditions in Oakland County. This request is an amendment to the plan and not a full review and update of the plan. Separate from this amendment the City of Troy requests that Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan have a full review and update in a timely manner.

Purchasing

There are no Purchasing items to consider.

Financial

There are no financial considerations.

Recommendation

City Management is in support of this amendment and recommends a vote of approval for the resolution.

City Management additionally recommends a vote of approval for the attached resolution to have Oakland County fully update the 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan in accordance with State law after the current amendment process is completed.



Economic Development & Community Affairs

April 22, 2014

Oakland County Community Clerks and Managers

Re: Oakland County Solid Waste Plan amendment

Dear Local Community Clerks and Managers:

As we informed you in October of last year, Oakland County received a formal request for an amendment to Oakland County's Solid Waste Management Plan. This request is for the inclusion of a new transfer station and waste processing facility to be located at 900 Baldwin Avenue in Pontiac. The Oakland County Department of Economic Development & Community Affairs has worked with the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee (SWPC) to consider the proposed amendment. To date, the following steps and actions have taken place:

- Approval by the SWPC to commence 90-day public comment period – November 21, 2013
- 90-day public comment period held – December 14, 2013 – March 17, 2014
- Public Hearing held - February 26, 2014
- SWPC approval of amendment via resolution - March 26, 2014
- Approval of amendment by Oakland County Board of Commissioners - April 17, 2014

The next step in this process is to seek approval of the amendment by the 60 Oakland County communities that are covered by the Oakland County Solid Waste Plan. Per Public Act 451, Part 115, Solid Waste Management, Section 11536, a solid waste plan amendment must receive support via resolution by no less than 67% of the local units of government within the respective county before being sent to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final approval.

I am forwarding the county's approved resolution, the proposed amendment and a sample approval resolution. Please present this to your board or council for consideration by June 30, 2014. Please send an email to Whitney Calio of my staff, at caliow@oakgov.com letting her know when you will consider the resolution and also notify her of the outcome. Certified copies of all resolutions should be sent to: Whitney Calio, Oakland County Planning, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, #41W Waterford, MI 48328.

Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 248-858-0764 or via email at hunterd@oakgov.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dan Hunter, Deputy Director
Oakland County Economic Development & Community Affairs

Cc: Oakland County Board of Commissioners
L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County Executive

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MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #14075

April 17, 2014

BY: Planning and Building Committee, Jim Runestad, Chairperson

IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS – SOLID WASTE PLAN AMENDMENT FOR BALDWIN PONTIAC, LLC AND RIZZO PROPERTIES, LLC

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, Oakland County has a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") that was prepared in accordance with Public Act 451, as amended, 1994, Part 115; Solid Waste Management, and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Executive received a request to amend the Plan for the inclusion of a proposed Type A Transfer Station and a Waste Processing Facility to be located on the same property in Pontiac at 900 Baldwin Avenue from Pontiac, LLC and Rizzo Properties LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee, along with staff of the Oakland County Economic Development & Community Affairs Department, which is the Designated Planning Agency ("DPA") for Oakland County have met and discussed this proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee authorized by resolution that the necessary steps be taken to initiate the required publication and 90-day public comment period on the proposed Solid Waste Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, a 90-day public comment period was held from December 14, 2013 – March 17, 2014 and was widely publicized to all Oakland County municipalities, adjacent counties, the Board of Commissioners, the MI Department of Environmental Quality, SEMCOG and other interested parties; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public comment period and date of a public hearing was published in The Oakland Press on December 13, 2013 and all corresponding documents were available for public review in the Oakland County One Stop Shop, as well as on the Oakland County website; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on February 26, 2014 at the Oakland County Executive Office Building and members of the public spoke of their opinions on the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the 90-day public comment period, the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee met and considered all written and verbal public comments received during the 90-day public comment period, reviewed the transcript of the public hearing and passed a resolution, by majority vote of the full committee, recommending that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners approve the amendment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners approves the proposed amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan of 1999 to include the Type A Transfer Station and Waste Processing Facility proposed by Baldwin Pontiac, LLC and Rizzo Properties, LLC and authorizes the amendment to be transmitted to the 60 Oakland County municipalities covered by the Solid Waste Management Plan for approval. Upon receipt of 41 affirmative municipal resolutions, the document should be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final approval by the Director.

Chairperson, on behalf of the Planning and Building Committee, I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

PLANNING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE



PLANNING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE
Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Resolution #14075

April 17, 2014

Moved by Crawford supported by Zack the resolutions (with fiscal notes attached) on the amended Consent Agenda be adopted (with accompanying reports being accepted).

Discussion followed.

Vote on amended Consent Agenda:

AYES: Dwyer, Gershenson, Gingell, Gosselin, Hatchett, Hoffman, Jackson, Long, Matis, Middleton, Quarles, Runestad, Scott, Spisz, Taub, Weipert, Woodward, Zack, Bosnic, Crawford. (20)

NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolutions (with fiscal notes attached) on the amended Consent Agenda were adopted (with accompanying reports being accepted).

 4/18/14
I HEREBY APPROVE THIS RESOLUTION
CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ACTING PURSUANT TO MCL 45.559A (7)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, Lisa Brown, Clerk of the County of Oakland, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners on April 17, 2014, with the original record thereof now remaining in my office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County of Oakland at Pontiac, Michigan this 17th day of April 2014.


Lisa Brown, Oakland County

Requested Amendment to the Oakland County

Solid Waste Management Plan

Oakland County received a request to amend its 1999 Solid Waste Management Plan which was approved by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality on June 24, 2003.

The requested amendment is for the inclusion of a proposed Type A Transfer Station and a Waste Processing Facility to be located on the same piece of property in the City of Pontiac at 900 Baldwin Avenue. The requested amendment was received from Baldwin Pontiac, LLC and Rizzo Properties LLC.

The specific pages of the Plan that will be amended are listed below in the order they appear in the Plan. Copies of revised tables and facility descriptions are included where applicable.

Section III -1 THE SELECTED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- Under “Designated Act 451 Solid Waste Disposal Area Facilities: Oakland County, Michigan on page III-4 and 5, list the Pontiac facility as both a Transfer Station and a Waste Processing Facility. Specifically, list the facilities at the same location under:
 - Waste Processing Facilities
 - BP-Pontiac, 900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac, New Designation
 - Transfer Stations
 - BP-Pontiac, 900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac, New Designation

Section III – 4 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

- Under “Designated Solid Waste Disposal Areas in Oakland County:” on page III-12, list the Pontiac facilities as both a Transfer Station and a Waste Processing Facility at the same 900 Baldwin Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan location. A revised table is attached. Specifically, list the facility under:
 - Type A Transfer Facility
 - BP-Pontiac
 - Processing Facility
 - BP-Pontiac

Section III – 4 CONTINUED: SOLID WASTE FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

- Provide 2 Facility Description sheets within Section III for the Pontiac disposal facility. One will be listed as a Waste Transfer facility - pages III-24 (a) and III-24 (b). The other will be listed as a Waste Processing facility – pages III-30 (a) and III-30 (b). The facility descriptions are attached.

Section III – 4 CONTINUED: SOLID WASTE FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

- On page III-54 and 56, include the Pontiac facilities under “A.4: Solid Waste Processing Facility Disposal Areas” and under “A.5: Solid Waste Transfer Station Disposal Area”. Revised tables are attached. Specifically, list the facilities as:
 - A.4: Solid Waste Processing Facility Disposal Areas
 - BP-Pontiac / New / 900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac / The site is located in Section 17 and 20 in the City of Pontiac and is 38 acres, more or less. The site is to be shared with a waste processing facility.

 - A.5: Solid Waste Transfer Station Disposal Area
 - BP-Pontiac / New / 900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac / The site is located in Section 17 and 20 in the City of Pontiac and is 38 acres, more or less. The site is to be shared with a transfer station facility.

Attachment C – MAPS

- A Revised list of designated facilities and a facility map are included, which identify the location of the proposed facility.

III-4 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

Designated Solid Waste Disposal Areas in Oakland County – revised table – November 2013

<u>Type II Landfill:</u>	<u>Type A Transfer Facility:</u>
Collier Road Landfill	Allied Waste Transfer Station – Southfield
Eagle Valley Landfill	Allied Waste Site – Pontiac
Oakland Heights Landfill	SOCRRA Transfer Station – Troy
SOCRRA Landfill	SOCRRA Transfer Station – Madison Heights
	City of Pontiac Site – Pontiac
	Waste Management Site – Pontiac
<u>Type III Landfill:</u>	FPT – Pontiac Division – Pontiac
None Designated	BP – Pontiac
	<u>Processing Facility:</u>
	SOCRRA MRF Site – Troy
<u>Incinerator:</u>	RRRASOC MRF Site – Southfield
None Designated	Allied Waste Site – Pontiac
	City of Pontiac Site – Pontiac
	Waste Management Site – Pontiac
<u>Waste-to-Energy Incinerator:</u>	FPT – Pontiac Division – Pontiac
None Designated	BP – Pontiac
<u>Other:</u>	<u>Waste Piles:</u>
None Designated	None Designated

SELECTED SYSTEM

FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

Facility Type: Waste Transfer

Facility Name: BP-Pontiac

County: Oakland Location: City of Pontiac Town: 3N Range: 10E Section(s) 17 and 20

Map Identifying location included in Attachment Section: X Yes No

If facility is an Incinerator or a Transfer Station, list the final disposal site and location for Incinerator ash or Transfer Station wastes: see list on reverse side

Operating Status (check)

Waste Types Received (check all that apply)

<u> </u>	open	<u> X </u>	residential
<u> </u>	closed	<u> X </u>	commercial
<u> </u>	licensed	<u> X </u>	industrial
<u> </u>	unlicensed	<u> X </u>	construction & demolition
<u> </u>	construction permit	<u> X </u>	contaminated soils
<u> </u>	open, but closure pending	<u> X </u>	special wastes*
<u> X </u>	to be developed	<u> X </u>	other:

*Explanation of special wastes, including a specific list and/or conditions: Sludge, auto fluff, non-friable asbestos

Site Size:

Total area of facility property:	<u> 38 </u>	acres
Total area sited for use:	<u> 38 </u>	acres
Total area permitted:	<u> 38 </u>	acres
Operating:	<u> N/A </u>	acres
Not excavated:	<u> N/A </u>	acres
Current capacity:	<u> 1,750 </u>	tons per day
Estimated lifetime:	<u> TBD </u>	years
Estimated days open per year:	<u> 286 </u>	days
Estimated yearly disposal volume:	<u> 500,500 </u>	tons

(if applicable)

Annual energy production:

Landfill gas recovery projects:	<u> N/A </u>	megawatts
Waste-to-energy incinerators:	<u> N/A </u>	megawatts

- 1) Pine Tree Acres Landfill; Macomb County; Public Private Owner: Pine Tree Acres, Inc.;
- 2) Brent Run Landfill; Genesee County; Public Private Owner: Brent Run Landfill, Inc.;
- 3) Citizens Disposal Landfill; Genesee County; Public Private Owner: Citizens Landfill, Inc.;
- 4) Richfield Landfill; Genesee County; Public Private Owner: Richfield Landfill, Inc.;
- 5) Carleton Farms Landfill; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Republic Services of Michigan I, LLC;
- 6) Michigan Disposal Waste Treatment Plant; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Michigan Disposal, Inc.;
- 7) Riverview Land Preserve; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: City of Riverview;
- 8) Sauk Trail Hills Landfill; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Sauk Trail Development, Inc.;
- 9) Woodland Meadows Landfill; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Waste Management of Michigan, Inc.;
- 10) City of Livonia Landfill; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: City of Livonia;
- 11) Detroit Incinerator; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Detroit Renewable Power, LLC

SELECTED SYSTEM

FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

Facility Type: Waste Processing

Facility Name: BP-Pontiac

County: Oakland Location: City of Pontiac Town: 3N Range: 10E Section(s) 17 and 20

Map Identifying location included in Attachment Section: X Yes No

If facility is an Incinerator or a Transfer Station, list the final disposal site and location for Incinerator ash or Transfer Station wastes: see list on reverse side

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<u> </u>	closed	<u> X </u>	commercial
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- 10) City of Livonia Landfill; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: City of Livonia;
- 11) Detroit Incinerator; Wayne County; Public Private Owner: Detroit Renewable Power, LLC

SELECTED SYSTEM

Solid Waste Processing Facility Disposal Areas – revised table – November 2013

Name of facility	New or Existing Designation	Address	Area Approved for Which Siting is Not Required
SOCRRA Waste Processing Plant	Existing	995 Coolidge Hwy, Troy	The site is located in Section 32 of Troy Township. This facility shares a 10.88 acre site with a SOCRRA transfer station. At present, the facility is operated as a source separated MRF.
RRRASOC Waste Processing Plant	Existing	20000 West Eight Mile Road, Southfield	The site is located in Section 35 of Southfield Township and is 6.2 acres in size, more or less. At present, the facility is operated as a source separated MRF.
Allied Waste Industries Waste Processing Plant	Existing	1591 Highwood, Pontiac	This site is located in Sections 8 and 9 of Pontiac Township and contains some 40 acres, more or less. The proposed waste processing facility has not been placed under construction as of October 1999. The site is to be shared with a transfer station facility.
City of Pontiac Waste Processing Plant	New	575 Collier Road, Pontiac	This site is located on the non-wetlands portion of the Collier Road Sanitary Landfill properties identified in Pontiac's November, 1998 designation request which lay in Section 8, Section 9 and in that part of Section 4 which lies southeast of a line which runs through a point on the joint section line between Section 4 and Section 5 which is located 470 feet North of the joint corner of Sections 4, 5, 8 and 9 and which line has a bearing of North 53 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds East. Access to the facility from the public road system must be from Collier Road. The permissible area contains 132 acres, more or less. The proposed waste processing facility has not been placed under construction as of October, 1999. The site is to be shared with a transfer station facility.
Waste Management – City Waste Sys. Waste Processing Plant	Existing	1525 West Highwood, Pontiac	This site is located in Section 9 of Pontiac Township and contains some 15 acres, more or less. The proposed waste processing facility has not been placed under construction as of October, 1999. The site is to be shared with a Waste Management transfer station facility.
FPT (Ferrous Processing & Trading)	New	500 Collier Road, Pontiac	This site is located in Section 9 of Pontiac Township and contains some 38 acres, more or less. The proposed waste processing facility has not been placed under construction as of June, 2000.
BP-Pontiac	New	900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac	This site is located in Sections 17 and 20 in the City of Pontiac and is 38 acres, more or less. The site is to be shared with a transfer station facility.

SELECTED SYSTEM

Solid Waste Transfer Station Disposal Areas – revised table – November 2013

Name of facility	New or Existing Designation	Address	Area Approved for Which Siting is Not Required
Allied Waste Industries Transfer Station	Existing	21430 W. Eight Mile Road, Southfield	This site is located in Section 34 of Southfield Township and contains 5.5 acres, more or less.
SOCRRA Transfer Station	Existing	991 Coolidge Hwy., Troy	This site is located in Section 32 of Troy Township and contains 10.9 acres, more or less. The site is shared with the SOCRRA waste processing facility, where source separated activities are currently occurring.
Allied Waste Industries Transfer Station	Existing	1591 Highwood, Pontiac	The transfer station site is located in Sections 8 and 9 of Pontiac Township and contains 40 acres, more or less. The proposed transfer station has not been placed under construction as of October, 1999. The site is to be shared with a MRF facility.
City of Pontiac Transfer Station	New	575 Collier Road, Pontiac	This transfer station is located on the non-wetlands portion of the Collier Road Sanitary Landfill properties identified in Pontiac's November, 1998 designation request which lay in Section 8, Section 9 and in that part of Section 4 which lies southeast of a line which runs through a point on the joint section line between Section 4 and Section 5 which is located 470 feet North of the joint corner of Sections 4, 5, 8 and 9 and which line has a bearing of North 53 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds East. Access to the facility from the public road system must be from Collier Road. The permissible area contains 132 acres, more or less. The proposed transfer station has not been placed under construction as of October, 1999. The site is to be shared with a MRF facility.
Waste Management – City Waste Systems, Inc. Transfer Station	Existing	1525 West Highwood, Pontiac	The transfer station site is located in Section 9 of Pontiac Township and contains 15 acres, more or less. The proposed transfer station has not been placed under construction as of October, 1999. The site is to be shared with a Waste Management MRF facility.
FPT (Ferrous Processing & Trading)	New	500 Collier Road, Pontiac	This site is located in Section 9 of Pontiac Township and contains some 38 acres, more or less. The proposed waste processing facility has not been placed under construction as of June, 2000.
BP-Pontiac	New	900 Baldwin Road, Pontiac	The site is located in Sections 17 and 20 in the City of Pontiac and is 38 acres, more or less. The site is to be shared with a waste processing facility.

Oakland County's Designated Act 451 Solid Waste Disposal Facilities
November, 2013

<u>Designation Type/Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Comment</u>
<u>Type II Landfills</u>			
Collier Road Landfill	575 Collier Road	Pontiac	Existing
Eagle Valley Recycling & Disposal Facility	600 W. Silverbell	Orion Township	Existing
Oakland Heights Dev.	2350 Brown Road	Auburn Hills	Existing
SOCRRA	741 Avon Road	Rochester Hills	Existing
<u>Waste Processing Facilities</u>			
Allied Waste Industries	1591 Highwood	Pontiac	Existing
RRRASOC	20000 W. Eight Mile Rd.	Southfield	Existing
SOCRRA	995 Coolidge Highway	Troy	Existing
Waste Management	1525 West Highwood	Pontiac	Existing
Collier Road	575 Collier Road	Pontiac	New (in 2000)
FPT Pontiac	500 Collier Road	Pontiac	New (in 2000)
BP – Pontiac	900 Baldwin Road	Pontiac	New
<u>Transfer Stations</u>			
Allied Waste Industries	21430 W. Eight Mile Rd.	Southfield	Existing
Allied Waste Industries	1591 Highwood	Pontiac	Existing
SOCRRA	991 Coolidge Highway	Troy	Existing
Waste Management	1525 West Highwood	Pontiac	Existing
Collier Road	575 Collier Road	Pontiac	New (in 2000)
FPT Pontiac Division	500 Collier Road	Pontiac	New (in 2000)
SOCRRA	29740 John R Road	Madison Heights	Revised existing "Disposal Area" Designation changed To transfer station (2000)
BP – Pontiac	900 Baldwin Road	Pontiac	New



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Oakland County Solid Waste Plan Designated Facilities



Legend

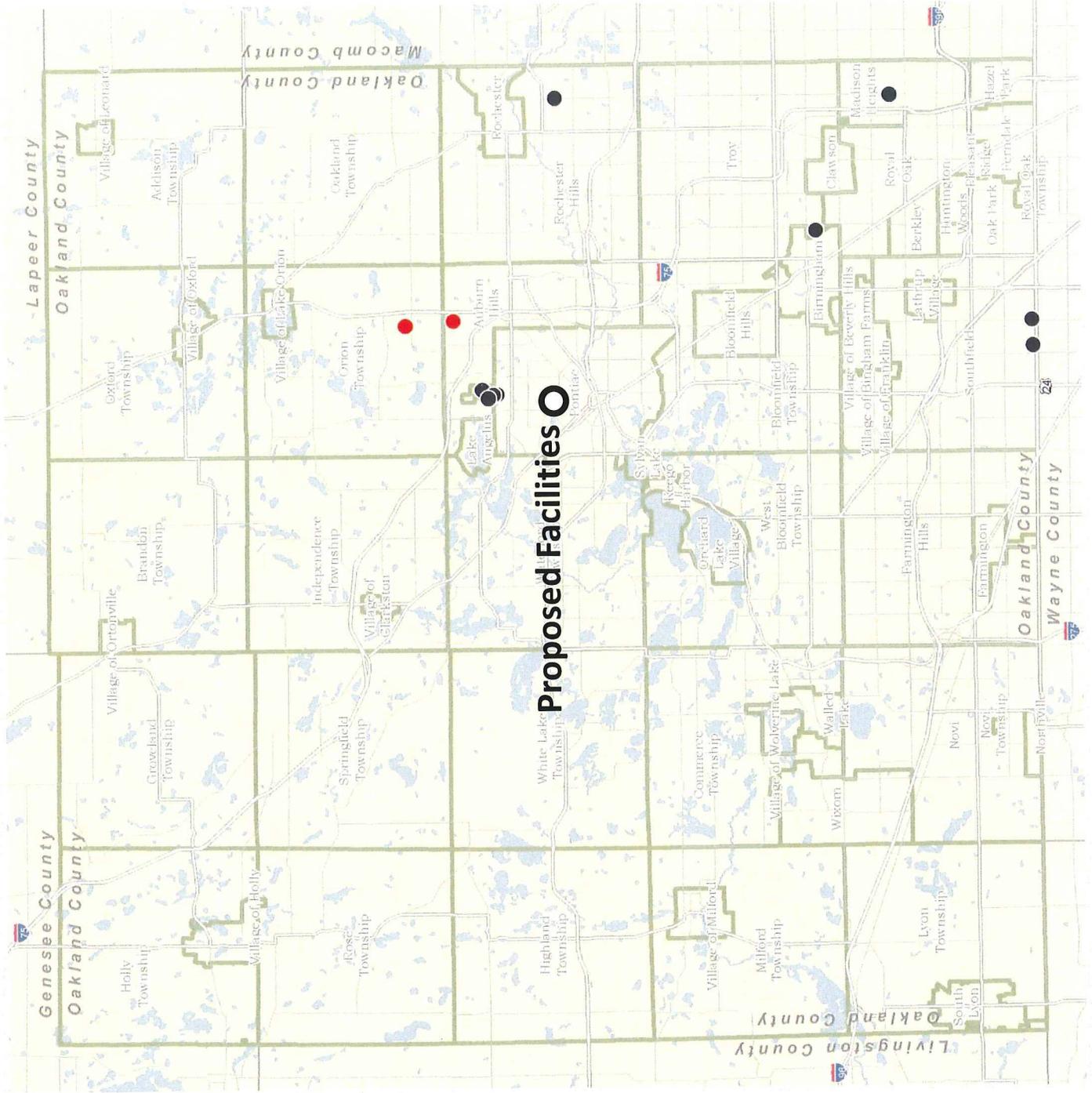
-  Municipal Boundary
-  Landfill (Type II)
-  Transfer Station/Waste Processing Facility

Type II landfills, or municipal landfills can accept virtually any non-hazardous solid waste for disposal.

Transfer stations are facilities where municipal solid waste is unloaded from collection vehicles and briefly held while it is reloaded onto larger long-distance transport vehicles for shipment to landfills or other treatment or disposal facilities.



Map created: October 9, 2013





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April 22, 2014

Re: Request for Amendment to Oakland County Solid Waste Plan

To All Oakland County Communities:

In October, we wrote to you as we began the process to amend the County Solid Waste Plan. We are very pleased to report to you that Rizzo Environmental Services, Inc. ("Rizzo") has made substantial progress in our efforts to redevelop the former Pontiac Fiero plant site into a transfer station/waste processing plant.

Last week, on April 17th, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the Amendment. On March 26th, the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee, by an 11-1 vote, approved the recommendation for the requested Amendment. That approval followed on the heels of a vote on March 24th of the Pontiac City Council, by a 6-0 margin, approving support of the Amendment and a modification to the Host City Agreement for additional benefits to Pontiac.

We are extremely pleased with the passage of these three significant milestones. At this point, state law requires that two-thirds of all Oakland County communities pass a resolution of approval. We respectfully request your consideration for approval of the Amendment to the County Solid Waste Plan (the "Rizzo Amendment"). **Our goal is to acquire the necessary resolutions by June 30th and we ask for your kind assistance in that regard.**

These votes are the result of broad support for the Amendment as evidenced by the attached letters from:

- Pontiac City Councilwoman/President Pro-Tem Mary Pietela
- County Commission Chairman Mike Gingell
- County Commissioner/County Solid Waste Planning Committee Chairman Robert Hoffman

For the reasons stated below, we urge affirmative action by your community:

Amendment Compliance with State Environmental Goals. The Rizzo Amendment will comply with State environmental goals, as stated in Part 115

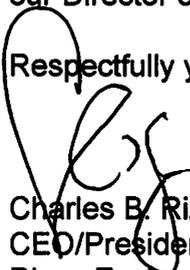
- “This part shall be construed and administered to encourage and facilitate the effort of all persons to engage in source separation and site separation of material from solid waste, and other environmentally sound measures to prevent materials entering the waste stream or which encourage the removal of materials from the waste stream.” MCL § 324.11507(2).
- “The state shall develop policies and practices that promote recycling and reuse of materials and, to the extent practical, minimize the use of landfilling as a method of disposal of its waste.” MCL § 324.11514(1).
- **Compliance with County Solid Waste Plan.** The Rizzo Amendment complies with the policies of the County Solid Waste Plan, including:
 - Ensure that solid wastes are source separated so that imbedded resources may be easily collected, processed and recovered;
 - Achieve a reduction in percentage of solid wastes that are destined for either incineration and/or landfilling; and
 - The Plan’s Enforceable Program provides for high compaction waste transfer in order to increase the density of loads that are transported to landfills, thus lowering tip fees at those landfills and/or reducing transportation costs.
- **Benefits to the Environment.** The Rizzo Amendment will provide significant benefits to the environment, including:
 - Reduced mileage on County roads and expressways by eliminating numerous trucks traveling to landfill facilities;
 - Reduced consumption of gasoline due to reduced truck traffic, which will improve the County’s “carbon footprint”; and
 - By removal of recyclable and salvageable material at the transfer station/processing plant, based on Rizzo’s experience, it is estimated that there will be a reduction of at least 10% in tonnage going to landfills.
- **Benefits to the Local Community.** By virtue of the recently approved Memorandum of Understanding, Rizzo increased its payments to the City of Pontiac from \$.50 to \$1.25 per ton -- a 150% increase. In addition, the City will receive benefits from real estate taxes, personal property taxes and income taxes. Rizzo has committed to preferential hiring for Pontiac residents. Also, at no charge to the City of Pontiac, Rizzo will develop and

operate a citizens' recycling center, as requested by Pontiac's elected officials.

- Creation of a "Green Campus." The proposed transfer station will be part of a "green campus" at the previously contaminated, former industrial site. Along with the transfer station/processing facility, Rizzo is planning to construct a single stream recycling plant and a Pontiac Citizens Recycling Drop-Off Center. The implementation of this multi-faceted "green campus" will provide facilities that will be unmatched on any one site in Oakland County.
- Lack of Objections. The public comment period and the public hearing before the Solid Waste Planning Committee did not reveal any significant objections to the Rizzo Amendment. No Oakland County community or industry competitor objected to the Rizzo Amendment. In fact, comments at the public hearing from Pontiac community leaders were very supportive.

Rizzo respectfully requests that your community place the matter on an upcoming meeting agenda and approve the Rizzo Amendment to allow continuation of the process to ultimately achieve approval and licensure by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. **Submitting your resolution before June 30th will help keep us "on track" regarding this lengthy and time-consuming procedure.** Most communities will address this item by placing it on their "consent agenda." If you would like a representative of Rizzo to attend your meeting to discuss the item, please do not hesitate to contact us prior to your meeting. If you require any additional information, please feel free to contact Joe Munem, our Director of government Affairs, at (586) 354-2352 or jmunem@rizzoservices.com.

Respectfully yours,



Charles B. Rizzo, Jr.
CEO/President
Rizzo Environmental Services

cc: Joseph Munem
Dennis Cowan, Esq.
Richard Manczak, Esq.

PONTIAC CITY COUNCIL



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April 17, 2014

To all Oakland County local legislative bodies:

As you are by now aware, your community has been sent a resolution requesting approval of an amendment to the Oakland County Solid Waste Plan. The proposed amendment involves the permitting of a solid waste processing/transfer station on the site of the former Pontiac Fiero plant on Baldwin Road in the City of Pontiac. As the member of the Pontiac City Council representing Council District Three where this site is proposed, I enthusiastically request your legislative body to approve the resolution before you as soon as possible.

We are working nonstop to revive the Pontiac economy. The site of the proposed processing/transfer station is situated on a RACER Trust property. The majority of the factory was dismantled with two buildings being spared. One building will be the processing/transfer station, the other will be the site of a single stream recycling plant owned and operated by Rizzo Environmental Services. This is a novel redevelopment proposal for a site where the RACER Trust prevents any excavating below grade, severely limiting other potential uses for that property.

I have conducted numerous meetings with residents living near the site. I also participated in a citywide telephone town hall meeting with nearly 3000 Pontiac residents. The residents are excited about the jobs and tax revenues this "green" campus will bring to the city. They are also very supportive of the free drop-off recycling center Rizzo Environmental Services has agreed to build for the exclusive use of Pontiac residents.

For these reasons, my colleagues and I on the Pontiac City Council support this project. I urge you to consider and adopt the proposed resolution as soon as your legislative agendas may permit. Only after 41 Oakland County communities approve the resolution may this project then proceed to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final permitting. The sooner you act upon this resolution, the faster our economic recovery may occur.

On behalf of my grateful constituents, I wish to thank you in advance for your positive consideration of this proposal.

Very truly yours,

Mary E. Pietila
Pontiac Council President Pro Tempore
City Council District Three



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To All Oakland County Communities:

Recently, you received correspondence from Oakland County's Economic Development and Community Affairs Office regarding the request of Rizzo Environmental Services ("Rizzo") to amend the County's Solid Waste Plan ("Amendment"). This Amendment will allow the former Fiero Plant in Pontiac to be transformed into a waste transfer station/processing facility.

The County has been working very diligently over the last year with the City of Pontiac, the current property owner and Rizzo in order to make this project a reality. The County's goal is to encourage reuse of former industrial sites and create jobs that will help our local economy. In addition, the benefits from a Host Community Agreement between Rizzo and Pontiac will assist the City in a number of positive ways.

Along with the waste transfer station/processing facility, Rizzo also intends to build a single stream recycling center along with a drop-off recycling facility for Pontiac residents. All of the facilities on the old Fiero plant are targeted to decrease tonnage going to landfills and improve our County's carbon footprint by reducing related truck traffic and fuel consumption. In addition to meeting our County's Solid Waste environmental Plan goals, the Rizzo project also supports the recently announced initiative by Governor Rick Snyder to enhance and improve recycling efforts in the State of Michigan.

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to approve a resolution in support of the waste transfer station/process facility at the former Fiero plant in Pontiac. We ask for your thoughtful consideration and approval of this Solid Waste Plan Amendment request.

Sincerely,

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Michael Gingell
Chairman
Oakland County Board of Commissioners



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To All Oakland County Communities:

I have been privileged to serve as Chairman of the Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee ("SWPC"). Our Committee reviews the County Solid Waste Plan as well as any proposed amendments.

Recently, you received from the Oakland County Economic Development and Community Affairs office a request to pass a resolution in support of a proposed amendment to the County Solid Waste Plan ("Amendment") from Rizzo Environmental Services ("Rizzo"). Pursuant to State law, the Amendment was referred to the SWPC in October, 2013. Subsequently, the SWPC held meetings, a 90-day public comment period and a public hearing regarding the Amendment.

Through my work on the SWPC, I have had the opportunity to closely review the Rizzo Amendment and the proposed facilities at the old Pontiac Fiero plant. The waste transfer station, single stream recycling center and citizens drop-off recycling facility will provide a totally "green" campus in Pontiac. All of the facilities will help the County meet its solid waste goals for recycling. These facilities will help our environment as there will be less waste going to landfills and less trucks on the road taking waste to landfills.

I strongly urge that you approve the Rizzo Amendment request. Thank you for considering my correspondence and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the work of the SWPC.

Sincerely,

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Bob Hoffman
Commissioner, District 2