



## City of Salem Solid Waste Committee

Finance Department, Room 230, Conference Room  
Thursday, November 21, 2024, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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### **PARTICIPANTS**

#### Board Members

Councilor Linda Nishioka, Chair  
Councilor Deanna Gwyn  
Councilor Micki Varney  
Alternate – Councilor Julie Hoy

#### Staff

Keith Stahley, City Manager  
Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer  
Kali Leinenbach, Budget Manager  
Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst/Franchise Administrator

#### Guests

Shawn Edmonds, MVGRA  
Shane Kuenzi, MVGRA  
Kevin Hines, MVGRA  
Dan Strandy, MVGRA  
Brian May, Marion County

### **AGENDA**

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. October 10, 2024, Minutes (agenda packet pg. 3)
3. Public Comment – Appearance of persons wishing to address the Board on any solid waste matters
4. Action Items
  - a. Recommendation to Salem City Council - adjustment of 2025 Commercial Medical Waste Rates
5. Management Update/Information Items
  - a. Upcoming events:
    - i. Toy Swap – City of Keizer (Salem Public Library is a toy drop-off location)

December 8, 10am-noon, Keizer City Hall (agenda packet pg. 5)

- b. Recycling Modernization Act (RMA) Update
- c. Reworld Marion (Covanta) closing - Update
  - i. Unsheltered Waste
  - ii. Police records and evidence destruction
- d. Solid Waste Fee – Additional General Fund Revenue

6. Other

7. Adjourn

**Next Meeting: December 19, 2024, 10:00 am to 11:30 am**

This meeting is being conducted in person, with remote attendance by the public as an option. Interested persons may view the meeting online on [YouTube](#). Please submit written comments on agenda items, or pre-register to provide Public Comment on items not on the agenda, by 5 p.m. or earlier one day prior to the day of the meeting at [finance@cityofsalem.net](mailto:finance@cityofsalem.net).

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# CITY OF SALEM SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

## Minutes

**DATE:** October 10, 2024

**PLACE:** Finance Conference Room (555 Liberty St SE, RM 230)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Linda Nishioka

**STAFF LIAISON:** Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst 503-588-6258 [RZink@cityofsalem.net](mailto:RZink@cityofsalem.net)

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### **Members Present:**

Councilor Linda Nishioka - Chair

Councilor Micki Varney (left at 1:00 PM)

### **Members Absent:**

Councilor Deanna Gwyn

Alternate-Councilor Julie Hoy

### **Staff Present:**

Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst/Franchise Administrator

Nitin Joshi, PW Environmental and Operations Technology Manager

Julianah Douglas, Climate Action Plan Manager

Kelli Blechschmidt, Management Analyst II

Shengnan Thomas, Administrative Analyst I

### **Guest Present:**

Kennedy Jantzi, Community Relations & Recycling Specialist, MVGRA

1. CALL TO ORDER: 12:00 PM / Quorum
  
2. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES
  - a. September 19, 2024

Motion was moved by Member Varney, seconded by Chair Nishioka, and carried by the following vote:

Aye: Unanimous  
Nay: None  
Abstentions: None
  
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
  - a. Phil Carver representing 350 Salem regarding solid waste rates and solid waste policy.
  - b. Lucy Hitchcock representing 350 Salem regarding green waste.

4. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Forward to City Council with a recommendation to adopt the Solid Waste Management Council Policy.

Motion was moved by Chair Nishioka, seconded by Member Varney, and carried by the following vote:

Aye: Unanimous  
Nay: None  
Abstentions: None

5. MANAGEMENT UPDATE / INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Upcoming events:
- i. Halloween Costume Swap – Salem Cloth Project  
October 12, 10am-1pm, Englewood Elementary
  - ii. Toy Swap – City of Keizer (Salem Public Library is a toy drop-off location)  
December 8, 10am-noon, Keizer City Hall

Questions or comments: Member Gwyn  
Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator

- b. Marion Resource Recovery Facility (MRRF) rebranding to Re-Source Community Waste Solutions (Re:Source)

Questions or comments: Nitin Joshi, PW Environmental and Operations Technology Manager  
Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator; Kennedy Jantzi, MVGRA

- d. Reworld Marion (Covanta) closing

Questions or comments: Chair Nishioka; Nitin Joshi, PW Environmental and Operations Technology Manager  
Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator

6. OTHER

7. ADJOURNMENT: 1:11 pm

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 12:00 pm



CITY OF KEIZER | Public Works Department

Environmental & Technical Division

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## City of Keizer is hosting a Toy Swap!

**Save a little cash and reduce your environmental impact this holiday season.**

Keizer, OR – We’ve all been there. We buy our children toys that they outgrow or lose interest in before the toy has hardly any wear or tear. Why not try something new this holiday season? Join the City of Keizer’s third annual Toy Swap. Bring that same joy to your child’s face with a new-to-them toy or game, but without the waste and at the best price of all – free!

The City of Keizer and community partners are hosting this FREE Toy Swap to spread some joy and waste reduction spirit this holiday season!

From November 1<sup>st</sup> to December 4th bring any gently used, clean toys, instruments, gadgets or games to one of the following locations:

- Keizer City Hall (930 Chemawa Rd. NE Keizer, OR) Hours: Monday -Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm
- Salem Public Library (585 Liberty St. SE Salem, OR) Hours: Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday-Saturday 10a.m.-5p.m.

Then on Sunday, December 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., attend the Toy Swap at Keizer City Hall where you can shop for free to find toys, games and gadgets. We have added golden tickets for larger toy items this year and are excited to share in the holiday joy!

According to *Medium*, approximately 80 percent of all toys end up somewhere on a trash heap. There are many reasons why toys get thrown away, but most of them center on the fact that parents don’t know what else to do once their children have outgrown them.



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Swaps are a great way to share materials and connect with the community. Swaps enable us to avoid throwing usable items away and helps showcase how fun reuse can be.

We will not accept the following:

- Dirty, broken, ripped, chipped, ragged, chewed, marked items
- Baby gear (car seats, strollers, cribs, play yards)
- Anything with missing parts or in disrepair
- Items with possible cutting, choking, or lead hazards
- No clothing will be accepted
- Oversized items may be accepted at our discretion

Attendees of the event are reminded to take only what they need as this is a goodwill event focused on sharing and repurposing items.

To learn more about this event, contact Jenny Ammon at City of Keizer, 503-865-3447 or email [ammonj@keizer.org](mailto:ammonj@keizer.org)