CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS/ CENTEX WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT HISTORY

JULY 1978

- Entered into contract with Waste Management (WM) to collect:
  - 2 X week service for residential customers
  - Collection of bundled brush, 4' or less, not to exceed 50 lbs and 1 cubic yard
  - Commercial collection – schedule and rates prescribed by the City Council
  - Increases to fees were based on Annual Consumer Price Index

JULY 1987

- Addendum to the contract with WM
  - Started on October 1, 1987
  - Term of 3 years
  - Automatic 3 year renewable clause
  - 60 day termination notice by either party at the end of any annual period
  - Notice will cause the agreement to expire 2 years after such anniversary date
  - Service remained the same

MARCH 1996

- City contracts with WM for once-a-week brush pick up
  - Proposal from WM was for $0.40 per home each month
  - WM began the service without an addendum to the contract with the City paying $0.40 per home/month.

Current Problems

- Within the last year many problems have arisen with the weekly brush pick up by WM
- One truck picks up all the brush and simply can not keep up with the City due to the City's growth
- This is compounded by truck breakdowns and high volumes of brush in the fall and spring
- Tree trimming and landscape contractors have also added to the problem by placing large piles of brush they should have hauled away themselves at the curb for collection by WM
- Cost of service has risen well above the $0.40 per household per month

NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

- Staff has had numerous conversations with WM about the level of brush pick up in the City

- WM stated they wanted to remove the brush pick up provision of the contract with the City

- The City received a letter from WM terminating the contract with the City on September 30, 2010 unless a compromise could be reached on brush collection