Introduced April 21, 2020, by Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilman Tamborella, (by request of Administration)

Item No. 20-04-3325

## **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE**

## **ORDINANCE NO. 3976**

An emergency ordinance to authorize and request modified residential waste collection within the City of Slidell for an additional thirty (30) days.

WHEREAS, consistent with City of Slidell Ordinance No. 3727 and City of Slidell Ordinance No. 3939, the City of Slidell currently has in force a *Time Contract for the Collection, Hauling, Recycling and Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials from Residential Units* with Coastal Environmental Services of LA, LLC relative to the collection of waste and recyclable materials from residential units in the City (hereinafter, the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, there is, generally, solid waste, including bulky item and green waste (collectively, "residential waste") collection once per week within the City and, additionally, recycling collection once per week within the City, subject to all the terms and conditions of, and amendments to, the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in view of the applicable legal restrictions imposed within the State of Louisiana in response to the ongoing public health emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, along with the additional precautionary measures urged and taken in conjunction therewith, more residents of the City of Slidell are staying in their homes during their normal work hours or are off of school and home, which is leading to the generation of greater volumes of residential waste. Such additional waste is largely of the nature that it cannot be recycled under the terms of the Agreement; and

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WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, pursuant to Emergency Ordinance No. 3975, the Slidell City Council authorized and requested the Mayor of the City of Slidell to enter into any written modification of the Agreement necessary so as to provide for twice per week residential waste collection from residential units within the City over the following thirty (30) days, subject to several conditions, including suspension of recycling collection, as more fully outlined in that Ordinance. Such modification is reflected in a written second amendment to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City continues in its desire to prevent potential unsanitary conditions resulting from residential waste accumulation in and near residences by providing, subject to the general terms and conditions of the Agreement and as otherwise set forth below, for twice per week residential waste collection from residential units within the City for an additional thirty (30) day period; and

WHEREAS, Coastal Environmental Services of LA, LLC is agreeable to this continued time-limited modification of the Agreement to provide twice per week residential waste collection within the City, subject to potential operational restrictions on bulky item and green waste collection.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council, consistent with its powers under Section 2-13 (Emergency Ordinances) of the City's Home Rule Charter, as follows:

The Mayor of the City of Slidell is hereby authorized and requested to enter into any written modification of the Agreement with Coastal Environmental Services of LA, LLC

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necessary so as to provide for continued twice per week residential waste collection from residential units within the City over an additional thirty (30) days, subject to the following: (i) the monthly fee billed to residents for garbage collection is not to be increased for this time-limited modification. Rather, recycling collection shall continue to be suspended during this time in exchange for the second weekly residential waste collection date; (ii) Coastal will use its operational best efforts to continue collection of all green waste and bulky items not contained in roll-outs during this twice weekly collection period; however, if operational restrictions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic restrict Coastal's ability to timely collect all residential waste, collection of solid waste which does not constitute a bulky item or green waste shall be prioritized over collection of bulky items and green waste; and (iii) Coastal and the City shall advertise on their respective websites and social media accounts any changes in pick-up schedules resulting from this continued modification.

This ordinance shall be effective on April 24, 2020.

ADOPTED this 21st day of April, 2020.

Bill Borchert

President of the Council Councilman-at-Large

Greg Cromer Mayor

Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

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