

Santaquin City Resolution 04-04-2011

A RESOLUTION OUTLINING THE CONVERSION AND PUBLIC CLOSURE OF THE SANTAQUIN CITY LANDFILL

WHEREAS, the City of Santaquin has entered into an Interlocal agreement with the City of Payson for the disposal of solid waste which provides access to the Payson Landfill by Santaquin City Residents at a reduced rate (currently \$3.00/drop and no charge for green waste disposal); and

WHEREAS, the Payson City Landfill is open significantly more hours each week and accepts a significantly greater amount of solid waste items; and


WHEREAS, Santaquin City currently charges a one dollar per month landfill fee charged to every utility service connection in Santaquin City, which could be eliminated to offset the inconvenience to its citizens that travel the extra distance necessary to dispose of solid waste at the Payson Landfill; and

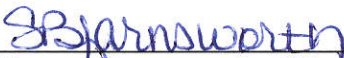
WHEREAS, in order to eliminate the Landfill fee, it would be necessary to eliminate the corresponding cost of operating the Santaquin City Landfill (e.g. dumpster fees, labor costs, etc.) through a closure of public access to the Santaquin City Landfill; and

WHEREAS, there remains benefit to the City by converting the "Public Use" of the landfill to a "City Use and Commercial Use By Appointment Only" which allows the landfill to remain active for City and Commercial Use, maintains some revenues to continue the operations of said landfill, and eliminates the cost to the City to fully close the landfill at this time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Santaquin City shall adopt the attached Landfill Conversion Plan.

Approved and adopted by the Santaquin City Council this 6th day of April, 2011.


James E. DeGraffenried, Mayor, Santaquin City

Attest: 
Susar Farnsworth, City Recorder





Landfill Conversion Plan

April 6, 2011

It is proposed for the City Council's consideration that the Santaquin City Landfill convert from an "open public landfill" to a "by appointment - for commercial & city use only landfill" effective July 1st, 2011.

Justification for the proposed change:

On November 3, 2010, Santaquin City entered into an Interlocal Agreement with Payson City for the disposal of solid waste. Part of that agreement allowed for the use of the Payson Landfill by Santaquin City residents at a substantially reduced rate compared to their normal non-resident fee.

Utilization of the Payson Landfill has many advantages to our citizens:

Santaquin City (Current)

Hours of operation:

All Year

Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Type of Materials Accepted:

Green Waste
Construction Materials

Does not accept:

Household Waste
Plastic
Paper or Cardboard
Batteries
Tires

Cost:

\$12/yr

Payson City Landfill:

April 1st - September 30

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Closed Sunday.

October 1st - March 31st

Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed Sunday.

Green Waste
Construction Materials
Household Waste
Plastic
Paper or Cardboard
Tires (4/family/yr - \$3 each)

Anything with Freon (Refrigerator, Freezer, AC)
[unless a certified removal sticker is attached]
Batteries

\$3/drop (Green waste "only" drops are free)

Financial Impacts of the proposed change:

In addition to the benefits of utilizing the Payson Landfill, the financial advantages of closing public access to the Santaquin Landfill include:

Annual Labor Savings:	\$18,965.44
Dumpster Savings:	<u>\$ 6,340.00</u>
Total Savings:	\$25,305.44

The disadvantage of closing the landfill to public access (but not fully closing the landfill) is twofold. First, there is a geographic disadvantage to our citizens who will now need to drive to West Mountain. Second, Santaquin City will still need to collect enough revenue to meet Utah State requirements to fully fund our landfill closure reserve for landfill closure costs.

To offset the inconvenience to our citizens while also preserving the city’s ability to meet this State mandated financial requirement, the following billing changes are proposed to be effective June 1st and appear for the first time on the July 1st utility bill:

Elimination of the Santaquin City Landfill Fee:	(\$1.00) (\$1/residential unit/month)
Waste Removal Fee Increase:	<u>\$0.50</u>
Net affect per residence:	(\$0.50)/month

Communication Plan for proposed change:

- Newsletter: Notification will be included in our newsletter on May 1st, June 1st, and July 1st.
- Banner: Attachment of a banner that will be hung at the Santaquin City Landfill May 1st - Fall. [A smaller (sign) version of the banner will be hung at City Hall]
- Fliers/Handouts: A flyer will be distributed at the landfill to landfill customers (May 1st – June 30th) as well as made available at City Hall

West Mountain

Payson City Landfill



10400 S

147

5200 West

5600 West

141

12000 S

5350 West

Center Street

400 East

Interstate 15

15

198

Santaquin City Landfill

Lark Lane

6

200 N

Main Street (Hwy 6)

Santaquin

15

Payson

