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RIVANNA SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY TO HOLD TWO COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Agenda: Strategic Plan for Solid Waste Management in Authority's Service Area

Charlottesville, VA (Friday, October 12, 2007)—In August 2007, the Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (RSWA) launched a strategic planning process to examine solid waste and recycling services in the RSWA service area and explore improvements to the Authority's facilities and services that the public will support. The hoped for outcome of this process is to reach consensus among residents and elected officials on a viable solid waste management system that better serves the needs of residents of the City of Charlottesville, Albemarle County, Town of Scottsville, the University of Virginia community, and other institutions and businesses within the RSWA service area.

What, When and Where:

Two community meetings:

Meeting #1: Thursday, November 15, 2007, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, City Council Chambers, City Hall, 605 East Main Street, Charlottesville

Agenda for Meeting #1: The RSWA's solid waste management consultants will provide a briefing that will include updates on the strategic planning process, findings from the technical evaluation and research conducted to date, options for improvements, and an opportunity for the public to ask questions of clarification.

Meeting #2: Tuesday, December 4, 2007, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, City Council Chambers, City Hall, 605 East Main Street, Charlottesville

Agenda for Meeting #2: After a short briefing on the strategic planning process, the public will be invited to provide input on the options under discussion and help develop a shared vision for future RSWA facilities and services.

Parking: Parking is available in the Parking Deck on East Market Street. Meeting participants who bring their parking ticket can receive a stamp for up to two hours free parking.

Who: The meetings are open to residents of the City of Charlottesville, Albemarle County, Town of Scottsville, the University of Virginia community, and institutions and businesses within these same areas. The RSWA's solid waste management consultants (Gershman, Brickner & Bratton, Inc., and Draper Aden Associates) will provide the briefing at the first meeting. The public will be invited to comment on the options for improvements during the second meeting.

For more information on the strategic planning process, please visit http://www.rivanna.org/rswa_strategicplan/index.htm. The meetings will be videotaped by the City of Charlottesville for live and delayed viewing on local Comcast cablevision, and the City of Charlottesville will also provide a web address to view the meetings from the internet. A link to this address will also be available from the RSWA website.

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