



Public Works Department

Yard Waste / Composting Program Updates

November 7, 2023



McKinney Yard Waste Program

- Yard Waste is picked up once per week
- Residents can also drop off yard waste directly at the Custer Road Transfer Station
 - Approx. 400 residents per month
- Cost:
 - No additional charge to residents for curbside collection
 - Residents allowed two drop-offs per month
- Annual yard waste tonnages:
 - **FY23 - 5,424 tons**
 - FY22 - 5,242 tons
 - FY21 - 6,230 tons
 - FY20 - 5,635 tons
 - FY19 - 5,023 tons



Changes to Texas Pure Program



- Plano operates Texas Pure Program as the yard waste composting contractor for NTMWD
- McKinney began participating in 2003
- NTMWD / Five Member Communities
 - ILA with Plano (Texas Pure)
 - MOU with Allen, Frisco, McKinney, Richardson
 - Agreements end April 2026
- Plano requested program changes in March 2023 due to continued deficits
- As a result of cost increases, McKinney evaluated composting options

SUMMARY OF OPTIONS

	Option 1	Option 2
Description	Texas Pure – Composting	Living Earth (LETCO) – Composting
Location	Custer and Outlook Drive, Plano, TX	FM 1385 / FM 428 Celina, TX
Cost Per Ton	\$37.95 FY24	\$30.00 / 0 – 5,000 tons \$29.00 / +5,000 tons
Contract Term	April 2026	Initial term Sept 2026 Four optional one-year renewals through 2030
Cost Increases	Greater of CPI-U or 3.5%	CPI-U, not to exceed 5%
Other Considerations		No minimum delivery amount Deliver all curbside collected materials

RECOMMENDATIONS



Staff recommends selecting **Living Earth** for the following reasons:

- Results in a lower cost of operation
- No change to services for residents
- Residents will have two options to drop off yard waste (Plano and Celina)
- Provides options for McKinney in the future should Texas Pure change operations
- McKinney remains member of five-member solid waste regional group

Staff recommends modifying Memorandum of Understanding with NTMWD and member cities regarding Plano Pure

Questions & Feedback

