



**SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD
THE CITY OF KEY WEST**

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To: City Commissioners
Patti McLaughlin, City Manager
John Paul Castro, Utilities Director
Dee Dee Green, Solid Waste Coordinator

Date: July 8, 2021

Re: Solid Waste Contract

Dear Leaders,

We would like to thank the Commission for taking the time to consider our recommendation.

As you may know, the Sustainability Advisory Board has had a long running history with championing change in our solid waste contract in order to meet the goals of the City's Solid Waste Master Plan.

The Board reviewed Waste Management's request for contract modifications to increase their revenue.

We are concerned that while there are many parts of the contract that the current contractor has received high marks on, they have received poorer than average marks on an equal number of contract tasks as well.

The SAB asks that the Commission take parallel paths until July 31st. Continue to negotiate the contract with the current contractor, but also prepare to go out to bid if the current contractor cannot meet the City's goals. If a negotiated contract that reflects staff and Master Plan goals is not complete by July 31st, we ask that the City proceed with an RFP.

Thank you for your time.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dakin Weekley", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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