

CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE _____
COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Seattle Public Utilities to enter into contracts with Lenz Enterprises, Inc. and PacifiClean, LLC to provide organics processing services for the City of Seattle; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, the City contracts with Cedar Grove Composing Inc. to process organic wastes under a contract scheduled to expire March 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City will continue to need organics processing services and desires to expand the types of organic products accepted in City collection services; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities issued a Request for Proposals in 2012 for future processing services; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities selected Lenz Enterprises, Inc. and PacifiClean, LLC as the finalists and negotiated new contracts to provide processing services; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities employees currently haul half of the City's organic waste to Cedar Grove processing facilities; and

WHEREAS, operational changes authorized by the new proposed processing services contracts would allow the City to reduce costs and save ratepayers' money by having contractors haul all of the City's organic waste; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council desires to preserve employment opportunities for Seattle Public Utilities employees that would be displaced from implementing the new contracts;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Director of Seattle Public Utilities is authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Seattle, contracts with Lenz Enterprises, Inc. and PacifiClean, LLC, substantially in the form of the contracts attached hereto and identified as Attachments 1 and 2.

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Section 2. The City Council directs the Director of Seattle Public Utilities to reassign to other City utility work those organic waste hauling employees who would otherwise have experienced layoffs as a result of the new contracts with Lenz Enterprises, Inc. and PacifiClean, LLC. The Seattle City Council also expects that by January 15, 2014 Seattle Public Utilities will provide a report to Council on whether the PacifiClean processing facility is expected to be available to receive City organic waste within 3 months of the date specified in the contract. If the report concludes that the facility will be available within that timeframe, the Council expects to receive prompt notification if delays emerge after January 15. If the report concludes that the facility will not be available within 3 months of the specified date, the Council expects the Director of Seattle Public Utilities to renegotiate the PacifiClean contract to address City interests and ensure that City organic waste hauling employees currently hauling waste to Cedar Grove facilities will continue to do so until the PacifiClean facility is operational. The Council expects that legislation regarding the renegotiated contract will be presented for its consideration.

Section 3. Any act taken after the passage but prior to the effective date of this ordinance and consistent with its authority is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2013, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2013.

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President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Michael McGinn, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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Attachment 1 – Contract with Lenz Enterprises, Inc.
Attachment 2 – Contract with PacifiClean, LLC