

**ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TRANSFER STATION SITING WORK SESSION MEETING
PROPOSED AGENDA**

BOCC Transfer Station Siting Work Session

5:30 PM – 7:15 PM

September 16, 2008

Southern Human Services Center

Chapel Hill, NC

1. Call to Order/Introductions/Opening Comments

Chair Jacobs and BOCC

2. Receive and Discuss Findings and Background Information on the Application of BOCC Adopted Exclusionary and Technical Criteria in the Selection of a Transfer Station Site in Orange County, and the Identification of Sites Recommended for Preliminary Community-Specific Criteria Evaluation (**Agenda Abstract, Including [Exhibits 1-6 12MB file](#)**)

Gwen Harvey, Assistant County Manager – Brief Overview

Bob Sallach, Olver, Inc. – Presentation

3. Receive Public Comment on Sites Recommended for Preliminary Community-Specific Criteria Evaluation and the Proposal for Obtaining Initial Public Input

Chair Jacobs and BOCC

4. Adopt the County Manager's Recommendation (outlined on Agenda Abstract), including any additional guidance or direction to County management and Olver, Inc.

Chair Jacobs and BOCC

5. Adjourn

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ACTION AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: September 16, 2008

**Action Agenda
Item No.** _____

SUBJECT: Approval of Sites Recommended for Community-Specific Criteria Evaluation

DEPARTMENT:
County Manager's Office
Solid Waste Department

PUBLIC HEARING: (Y/N)

No

ATTACHMENT(S):

Exhibits 1-6

INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura Blackmon, County Manager, 245-2306

Gwen Harvey, Assistant Manager, 245-2307

Gayle Wilson, Solid Waste Director,
968-2285

PURPOSE:

To request BOCC receive presentation and background information from Olver, Inc. on sites recommended for Community-Specific Criteria evaluation in the next phase of locating a Transfer Station in Orange County.

BACKGROUND:

A total of eleven qualified sites emerged from extensive review by the team from Olver, Inc. using the BOCC adopted Exclusionary Criteria and Technical Criteria over the course of the summer. Olver, Inc. is recommending that a total of seven from the eleven be approved by the BOCC to advance to the next level of evaluation under the BOCC adopted Community-Specific Criteria.

Should the BOCC grant approval, Olver, Inc. proposes to organize and facilitate public information meetings in proximity to the seven sites to obtain preliminary comments and input during September - October. Olver, Inc. would return to the BOCC at its October Transfer Station Siting work session with findings and feedback to enable the BOCC to further narrow the number of sites that would be subjected to intensive Community-Specific Criteria evaluation during October-November, including additional public information meetings. A BOCC decision on the final site for the new Transfer Station is contemplated for its November Transfer Station Siting work session.

Olver, Inc. as agent for the County has notified the owners of each of the eleven sites, by certified mail and phone, of findings and conclusions pertinent to their property, and the opportunity to be present and/or submit written comments at the work session on September

16. Informational packages have also been provided to the Managers of Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and Hillsborough.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact associated with BOCC discussion and formal approval of the sites recommended for preliminary public comment under the adopted Community-Specific Criteria. There will likely be substantial costs to the County (Solid Waste Enterprise Fund) in the overall design and development of the proposed site and the permitting and construction of the actual facility and any ancillary features.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Manager recommends that the Board

1. Receive and discuss the presentation and background information from Olver, Inc. pertaining to the application of Exclusionary and Technical Criteria and the resulting eleven qualified sites for locating a Transfer Station
2. Approve the seven sites as recommended by Olver, Inc. for preliminary Community-Specific, or a modification thereof as the BOCC may desire
3. Approve the plan proposed by Olver, Inc. for obtaining initial public comment and input on the sites approved by the BOCC for Community-Specific Criteria evaluation, or a modification thereof as the BOCC may desire
4. Provide any additional guidance or direction to the Manager and Olver, Inc. that may be necessary to facilitate a projected site selection in November