

TO: Mayor Montgomery and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Disposal of Illegal Dumping

DATE: April 28, 2025

BACKGROUND

On February 7, 2025 a semi-trailer full of used tires was “dumped” on a city roadway. This was not an accidental occurrence, but an intentional act. The vehicle identification numbers were removed from the trailer and it was not carefully disconnected, but literally dropped off the hauling semi tractor.

The trailer was towed to the public works facility for storage until the weather was more conducive to unloading and disposal. The thought was to minimize the handling of the tires, so when removed they would be sent for disposal. We have no idea of the number of tires nor an actual cost for the disposal. I have been researching what needs to be done to properly dispose of the tires and the disposal will be done in the most cost effective way while minimizing the number of times tires have to be handled. The closest approved disposal site is located in Savage. The disposal vendor felt that the most cost effective would be by weight rather than per tire. However, we have no idea of how many tires are inside the trailer or total weight. In talking with the disposal vendor, he estimates the semi-trailer likely has between 300 and 400 tires depending on the types and sizes. The disposable cost will likely be \$6500 - \$7500 just for the tires based on information provided by the disposal vendor.

Once the tires are disposed of, the semi-trailer will need to be disposed of. It is estimated to be about a 40-50 year old trailer and has significant rust, so its integrity is questionable. The cost to dispose of the trailer is unknown, but it also will be done in the most cost effective way. The trailer may have a scrap metal value, but that would be minimal compared to the total disposal cost from this illegal dumping.

I have spoken with the City Administrator regarding the cost of this unplanned expense and he felt the cost should be expensed from the General Funds, miscellaneous expenses line.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Motion and approval of the disposal of the tires and semi-trailer as noted above.



Savage, Minnesota

Gate Pricing

Effective December 01st, 2024

Tire Type/Service	Pricing
<u>Passenger, Light truck, SUV and Semi-truck tires</u> (Above tires may be mixed) (CTTOFF)	\$275/ton
<u>Mixed Loads</u> A mixed load is a combination of passenger, light truck, semi and less than 10% farm/agricultural tires or any load that cannot safely be unloaded at our dock and must be dumped (MXDLT)	\$380/ton
<u>Farm tractor tires</u> (AGT)	\$400/ton
<u>Off-the-Road tires, Rubber Tracks, Solids, Foam Filled & Forklift Tires w/Press on Rims</u> (OTRT & TRACKT)	\$460/ton
<u>10 Tires or Less:</u> Passenger, Light truck or SUV tires Semi-truck tires (CTEOFF) or (TKEOFF)	\$6.00/each \$16.00/each
<u>Rims - Car, Light truck or SUV</u> <u>Rims - Semi)</u> (RIMEIN) or (RIMTKEIN)	\$6.00/each \$16.00/each
<u>Contaminated</u> (Any load brought to our gate that has any dirt, debris, garbage, or metal that cannot be processed by our equipment) (CONTFEE)	\$100/ton
<u>Gate Environmental Fee</u> (ENVIROFEE)	\$20.00/load

****Revised & Posted as of November 15th 2024****