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Interoffice Memo

TO: CAPRA File for 10.6 – Research Investigation
FROM: Brian Sjothun, Parks & Recreation Director
SUBJECT: Experimental Project 2016 – Recycled Garbage Bags
DATE: March 7, 2016

The Park Maintenance Division was searching for a way to improve sustainability while reducing costs. Beginning in October 2015, the department switched to exclusively utilizing recycled bags for garbage cans and collection throughout the park system.

The move to the recycled bags was evaluated during the final quarter of 2015. The evaluation period was extended to the close of February in order to better determine the durability and potential cost savings.

Beginning March 1, 2016 the department moved permanently to the use of the recycled bags. This switch created a savings of \$0.30 cents per bag and is estimated to saving \$7,250 per year.

BRIAN SJOTHUN
Parks & Recreation Director

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Brian Sjothun, Director