

breaking news

Competing Trash Service Permit Approved

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During Tuesday's city meeting, the council by a 4-2 vote, approved granting a permit to the Texas Disposal System's Incorporation and TxAlloy, Inc. DBA Acme Iron & Metal Co. The permit will allow their crews to transport and dispose of garbage, and debris within the city limits.

"We do bring competition, we do bring recycling, we do bring more diverse ideas for recycling and composting; so I think this is a good thing for the city," Bob Gregory, CEO of TDS said.

The council did put a stipulation in their permit, it cannot conflict with the current city's contract with Republic Waste Services of Texas.

Bob Gregory says company services typically focus on recycling and composting.

Republic is a national company that handles San Angelo's trash pick-up, and officials are glad their current contract is not in jeopardy, "We're happy that we're protected on the inside city limit hauling of waste service."

Council member, Charlotte Farmer, abstained from Tuesday's vote because Gregory is her distant relative, but she feels there isn't a need for another trash service in the city.

"The truck traffic, I don't want additional big trash trucks in the area," Farmer said.

"Waste is coming here anyway, the more that is recycled the more that will be diverted away, the longer the landfill will last," Gregory said.