



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: February 10, 2025

Title of Item: 2026 Residential Waste Electronics Collection

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>
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Submitted by: Andrew Carlstrom	Department: Environmental Services
Presenter (Name and Title): Andrew Carlstrom, Environmental Services Director	Estimated Time Needed: 5 Minutes

Summary of Issue:

In an effort to encourage and offer more opportunities for Aitkin County residents to recycle used electronics and divert these items from the waste stream, I am respectfully requesting to schedule a residential electronics waste collection event on June 6, 2025 from 10AM to 1PM. I have confirmed this date with Retrofit Companies who has served as our contractor for the past 9 years. We will continue to receive screened items for \$15.00/each as recommended by Retrofit, and which is in comparable with neighboring counties.

In 2025 we charged \$15.00 per screen item and recovered 69% of the total cost of the collection event. The total collection cost was \$4907.20 (\$1000.00 is the event fee which supplies two staff, gaylord boxes, pallets, plastic wrapping, and semi/trailer for transportation to end markets) and we took in \$3420.00 for revenue for the screened items. All non-screened items will be free-of-charge. Last year totals from June 7, 2025: 224 households participated, 228 screened items were collected.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:
Deny approval of the 2026 Residential Electronics Waste Collection Event.

Recommended Action/Motion:
Motion to approve the 2026 Residential Electronics Waste Collection Event on June 6, 2026. If approved, an additional motion to approve \$400.00 cash in start-up funds from the Auditor's Office is required.

Financial Impact:
Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No
What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Estimated at \$4200.00 to \$5200.00
Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*

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ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY

6.6.26 10am to
1:00pm

Aitkin County Recycling Center
36488 400th Ave Aitkin



Most "Not allowed" items can be disposed of at local area transfer stations, during regular business hours:
Garrison Disposal: 36091 400th Avenue, Aitkin
Countryside Sanitation: 19149 360th Street, McGregor

**Please Do
Your Part!**

**\$15 charge per
screen item (tv,
monitors, etc.)**

**Regular
recyclables are not
accepted this day.**

What can I bring?

- ✓ Monitors
- ✓ TVs
- ✓ PCs, Laptops and Tablets
- ✓ Printer and copiers
- ✓ Telephone equipment
- ✓ Circuit board & hard drives
- ✓ E-scrap (keyboard, mouse)
- ✓ Small household appliances
(blender, toaster, iron,
coffee maker, vacuum)

What is not allowed?

- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Smoke detectors
- ✗ Microwaves
- ✗ Bulbs
- ✗ Dehumidifiers & humidifiers
- ✗ Air conditioner
- ✗ Florescent bulbs
- ✗ Large household
appliances (washer, dryer,
refrigerator, stove)

Questions? Call 218-927-7342

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