RESOLUTION NO. 23- 95

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BUNCOMBE COUNTY FOR FOOD SCRAPS DROP-OFF PROGRAM CO-MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville has authority pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-461, units of local government may enter into agreements with each other in order to jointly exercise any power or function of local government; and

WHEREAS, per City Council Resolution No. 14-27, the City adopted a resolution establishing a 50% municipal solid waste reduction goal; and

WHEREAS, per City Council Resolution No. 17-257, the City adopted a Food Policy Action Plan including a resource stewardship focus area; and

WHEREAS, per City Council Resolution No 23-70, the City adopted a resolution adopting the municipal climate action plan for municipal sustainability goals and initiatives which includes strategies to make progress on municipal waste reduction; and

WHEREAS, the Food Scraps Drop-Off pilot program was launched in September 2021 at 1 site and has expanded, in collaboration with Buncombe County, to include 6 sites located within the City of Asheville and 2 sites in Buncombe County; and

WHEREAS, City and County desire to enter into an interlocal agreement for a period not to exceed 5 years, in order to co-manage and equally co-fund hauling and collection services to support Food Scraps Drop-Off program operations; and

WHEREAS, for the first year of the agreement, the City will contribute 50% of hauling fees for food scraps drop-off sites located within Asheville City limits not to exceed \$15,000 in FY24;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement with Buncombe County for City of Asheville Food Scraps Drop-Off program co-management.

Read, approved and adopted this the 9th day of May, 2023.

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Approved as to form:

City Attorney