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SUBJECT: CITY OF ALLENTOWN AWARDS J. P. MASCARO & SONS

TRASH AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION CONTRACT WITH

POTENTIAL VALUE OF \$180 MILLION

On October 2, 2024, based on the recommendation of Mayor Matthew Tuerk and the City's Administration, the Allentown City Council voted to approve a long-term contract award to local waste service company J. P. Mascaro & Sons for the collection of City residential waste and recyclables starting June 1, 2025. Mascaro received a Notice of Contract Award letter from the City on October 4, 2024. After submission of the required Contract Performance Bond by Mascaro and final review by City Departments, Mayor Tuerk signed the Contract on October 28, 2024.

The five-year contract is valued at \$90 million, and with two two-year extension options at the City's discretion, the contract value is \$180 million. Mascaro, a privately-owned local company, will perform the City contract from its Allentown operational division at 315 Basin Street, with 21 new collection vehicles and 60 new employees. As the low bidder, Mascaro was selected over the City's current contractor, the largest publicly-owned waste company in the country.

Allentown, the third largest City in Pennsylvania, with a population of more than 125,000 people, is situated in the heart of Lehigh County, where Mascaro operates a large service division. Mascaro is a major provider of contracted waste services for many municipalities in the Lehigh Valley region, and was recently awarded a five-year \$23 million contract with Whitehall Township, which borders the City of Allentown.

The Allentown contract is the largest municipal contract of its type in Pennsylvania, and the City has a well-earned reputation of having one of the most comprehensive and efficient waste collection and recycling programs in the country.

Company President, Pat Mascaro, who attended the City Council Meeting with other company representatives at the time the contract was awarded, said, "Our company is thrilled to be able to serve the City and its residents, and we look forward to the June 2025 start date." Mascaro added, "This contract is a natural for J. P. Mascaro & Sons because of our experience, business in the region, local infrastructure and resources."

Mascaro applauded the effort of his company team members who put together a comprehensive Bid Proposal and who participated in the evaluation process conducted by City representatives. "Everything about the proposal submittal they prepared was top-notch, and I am happy that their efforts resulted in a contract award," said Mascaro. Under the contract, Mascaro will provide City residents with twice-a-week trash collection, once-a-week recyclables collection, twice-a-month yard waste collection, and one bulk item per week.

For information about J. P. Mascaro & Sons, its services, its facilities, and its management team, visit the company website at www.jpmascaro.com.