CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES, NEW MEXICO

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AND GENERAL SUMMARY OF CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES ORDINANCE NO. _____, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES ADOPTING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES AND UNIVERSAL WASTE SYSTEMS, INC.

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of March, 2025, the City of Rio Communities, at its regular meeting of the city council to be held at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 360 Rio Communities Blvd., Rio Communities, NM, the city council will consider adoption of the above-titled ordinance ("the Ordinance").

General Summary of the Ordinance. The Ordinance will adopt a Franchise Agreement ("Franchise" or "Agreement") between the City of Rio Communities ("City") and Universal Waste Systems, Inc. ("UWS") and will repeal all previous agreements.

More specifically, the Ordinance will grant to UWS the exclusive right to perform all solid waste collection, disposal and management of all residential, commercial and roll off services for residents, businesses and other enterprises located within the city except as specifically limited in the Agreement. The Ordinance recognizes that the City has the authority to grant such a Franchise. The Ordinance establishes that the City and UWS shall comply with the terms of the City Ordinance 2019-69 Chapter 11 Article 4 Solid Waste and/or disposal management. The Ordinance provides that neither the City nor UWS shall be responsible for liability incurred as a result of the other party's acts or omissions in connection with this Agreement. Any liability incurred in connection with this Agreement is subject to the immunities and limitations of the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, sections 41-4-1, et seq., NMSA 1978, as amended. The Ordinance provides for UWS to establish a curbside recycling program and to establish specific routes for the collection of waste and recyclables. The Ordinance prides for a franchise fee, payable to the city under the terms of the Ordinance.

This is a general summary only. Interested people should review the Ordinance to determine its full contents.

Effective date: The Ordinance will go into effect five (5) days after it has been adopted and published.

Copies of the Ordinance: Copies of the entire ordinance are available for inspection and copying at the Office of the Municipal Clerk, 360 Rio Communities Blvd., Rio Communities, NM. The Ordinance is also available at the City's website.