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### Improvements to Coolwell Convenience Center

At their February 2, 2021 meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved changes to the Coolwell Convenience Center. The improvements include two additional solid waste compactors and two recycling compactors. These additions will reduce the number of overtime hours Public Works staff is working by reducing the number of times containers have to be emptied on the weekends.

The Board also approved a new entrance design and updates to the fence and gates. The new entrance will allow one-way traffic flow through the center to improve efficiency and safety for the patrons. Public Works will be performing the majority of the work on the new access road which will reduce the cost of the project.

Other improvements include adding an additional attendants shed, overhead lighting and upgrading the signage. The Coolwell Convenience Center is the only center serving the Madison Heights area and is open 7 days a week from 7am to 7pm. As the largest convenience center in the County it handles as many tons of waste and recyclables as the other five convenience centers combined.

Work on the site is expected to begin in March of 2021.



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