



# Town of Johnstown

## TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS

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**AGENDA DATE:** August 16, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing – First Reading Ordinance 2021-207 Amending Article IV of Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code Concerning Trash Collection

**ACTION PROPOSED:** Consider First Reading of Ordinance 2021-207

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Ordinance 2021-207
2. Current Municipal Code Section

**PRESENTED BY:** Matt LeCerf, Town Manager

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### AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

In May 2021, the Town issued an RFP for trash services due to the pending expiration of the current contract with Waste Management which will end September 1, 2021. The RFP and proposed contract which was awarded to Waste Connections on July 7, 2021 provides for Waste Connection to be the single source trash provider for all single family and duplex residents in the community.

Some of the benefits of this single source service include:

- Competitive pricing for our community to reduce individual costs.
- Combination of solid waste and recycling service for residents.
- Reduced impact on our Town's transportation infrastructure.

The current Town regulations provide for residents to opt out of the Town's services for solid waste collection. The impetus for this flexibility is unclear, but it appears to mitigate the value the residents may receive and the value the Town may receive by reducing costs on infrastructure maintenance. Accordingly, presented for you this evening is a proposed modification to Article IV of Chapter 7 of the Johnstown Municipal Code Concerning Trash Collection. The proposed revisions to the ordinance would require residents and those multi-unit structures at the Town's discretion to subscribe to the single source trash service provided by the Town. In general, those multi-unit buildings would be in applications where residents have garages or a method to effectively screen their trash and recycling receptacles from sight. Those

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multi-units that have facilities that can accommodate dumpsters for example would not be included into the single source service.

The Town currently has 104 customers in the community that have opted out of the single source service and this represents approximately 2% of the total residential customer base. The Town has not yet signed the contract for the solid waste service, but needs to do this in short order to ensure service for the residential base starting in September.

Other changes have been made to update the ordinance and are included in the documents attached. An original of the current form for Article IV of Chapter 7 is included to note the differences in form.

**LEGAL ADVICE:**

The ordinance was drafted by the Town Attorney in consultation with Staff.

**FINANCIAL ADVICE:**

Funds have been obligated for the work in FY2021.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve Ordinance 2021-207 upon first reading.

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**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

**For Approval:** I move to approve Ordinance No. 2021-207, an ordinance Amending Article IV of Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code Concerning Trash Collection upon first reading.

**For Denial:** I move to deny Ordinance No. 2021-207, an ordinance Amending Article IV of Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code Concerning Trash Collection upon first reading.

*Reviewed and Approved for Presentation,*



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Town Manager