



**City Council Agenda
July 20, 2023**

Minutes Resolution

Discussion Item

Agenda Description:

Discussion on refuse and recycling service.

Background Information:

The City currently has 2,035 residential trash/recycling accounts. Trash service occurs twice each week (Monday and Thursday), and recycling is collected each Thursday. Both services are done by hand, with the residents providing their own refuse receptacles.

In an effort to reduce heavy truck traffic on residential streets, I propose switching the frequency and type of service. Our residential streets are not constructed for the weight of the trash and recycling trucks, and certainly not for the current frequency. This would allow us to extend the life

Moving to a fully automated service will provide the residents with wheeled, 96-gallon carts for both refuse and recycling. These carts have lids and will reduce the amount of waste carried by high winds and animals. Additionally, it will allow for a more uniform look throughout the city.

Financial Information:

The current Waste Connections contract is up for renewal in 2024.

Waste Connections has provided automated pricing for the following:

- Twice per-week refuse collection (\$14.22) and once-a-week recycling (\$3.22). Total \$17.44, with a 30% increase for commercial business.
- Once per-week refuse collection (\$11.30) and once-a-week recycling (\$2.75). Total \$14.05, with a 10% increase for commercial business.

Current Pricing:

- Twice-per-week refuse collection (\$11.30) and once-a-week recycling (\$2.75). Total \$14.05.

Bulk Pick-Up Options:

- Subscription-based bulk – residents can call in for pick up as needed \$35 per yard

- Once per month bulk pick up is \$3.00 per month per home. This additional cost would apply to all residents.

City Contact and Recommendations:

Amber Bransom, Staff request direction.

Attachments:

- Waste Connections Presentation