



City of Ketchum

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Mayor Bradshaw and City Councilors
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Discussion Regarding Wildlife and Solid Waste Containers

Recommendation & Summary

Representatives from Idaho Fish & Game and Clear Creek Disposal will be present to discuss recent events of wildlife conflicts with solid waste containers. Currently, the city does not require wildlife proof containers. Clear Creek has purchased several models to determine if there would be any operational issues with a larger deployment. The Council could consider the following two policy actions:

- Short-term: enact an ordinance prohibiting the time in which containers could be placed out for pickup. CSO would be able to conduct spot inspections similar to dark sky compliance checks.
- Mid- to long-term: require wildlife proof containers for all or a portion of town. There are limited suppliers and a long lead time (1 year min). They are approximately \$350 per container. Because we do not have co-mingled recycling carts, there would still be exposure with open recycling containers.

Sustainability

None

Financial Impact

The franchise agreement would need to be amended and new carts would be financed via a rate increase to customers.

Attachments:

None