



## City of Ketchum

March 6, 2023

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### **Discussion and Request for Direction regarding Animal Resistant Trash Containers**

#### Recommendation and Summary

The City Council directed staff to coordinate with Clear Creek Disposal to cost out two options for the potential implementation of animal resistant containers. Clear Creek will be present to answer questions and demonstrate the containers. Should the Council support proceeding, staff would recommend public outreach before a final decision.

#### Introduction and History

The city has participated in the Wood River Wildlife Coalition over the last several years. One of the key topics raised by Idaho Fish & Game during those meetings was trash cans placed out the day before the scheduled pick-up time. Animals are then attracted to food in the containers, creating a safety conflict with residents. Animal resistant containers are required in other mountain communities such as McCall. Clear Creek acquired a select number of carts to conduct with customers.

#### Sustainability

No direct impact.

#### Financial Impact

Should new carts be distributed citywide, the customer impact would be an additional \$13.08 per quarter (an increase of approximately \$1.00 per week). If the carts were deployed only to residents west of Main Street, the impact would be \$10.40 per quarter. It is important to note with option two, that the new increase would be placed on all bills, not just on the bills of customers with new carts. With both options, there would also be a one-time delivery fee of \$35.50.

#### Attachment

None