

Public Works provided the following information as it relates to the estimated costs for clean-up stations:

### **Estimated costs of dog clean-up stations**

#### **Initial Investment (Capital Cost)**

Commercial park-grade dog waste stations with bag dispensers and receptacles typically cost:

- Low-end/basic unit: **\$200–\$300**
- Mid-range durable unit: **\$300–\$600**
- Heavy-duty/high-use unit: **\$600–\$900+**

For budgeting, assume **\$400–\$700 per station** when selecting units suited to public park environments.

#### **Installation Costs**

Installation depends on the surface and anchoring method:

- Surface mount by grounds crew: **\$50–\$150 per station**
- Anchored to a concrete pad or requiring ADA-compliant footing: **\$150–\$300 per station** if outsourced to a contractor

For typical municipal parks, budget **\$100–\$250 per unit**.

#### **Maintenance (Ongoing Service)**

Routine maintenance includes emptying receptacles, restocking bags, and cleaning:

- Grounds crew time only: **\$100–\$300 per station annually** (light weekly effort)
- Outsourced service (weekly empty/restock): **\$400–\$1,000 per station per year**, depending on frequency and provider pricing.

#### **Material Replenishment (Bag Supply)**

Waste bag replenishment cost is tied to usage:

- Low usage (small park): **\$50–\$100 per station per year**
- Moderate usage: **\$100–\$200 per station per year**

Higher usage may slightly increase this amount.

#### **Aggregate Example for One Station (First Year)**

- Initial unit: **\$500**
- Installation: **\$200**
- Annual maintenance (crew or contract): **\$400–\$800**
- Bag replenishment: **\$100–\$200**

**Total Year-1 Cost Range: \$1,200–\$1,700 per station**

These figures are based on current market pricing for commercial pet waste stations and typical municipal service costs. Actual costs will vary with product selection, installation complexity, and maintenance strategy.

In summary, the Town will require approximately \$6,000 (\$1,500 per station for Year 1 costs - 2 stations for the west side of Kelsey Park, and 2 stations for the east side of Kelsey Park). If approved, PW will also include this as a recurring maintenance cost in future fiscal year

budgets. Signage will also need to be upgraded to reflect the new ordinance provisions therefore, as additional upfront cost of approximately \$1,500 will be required for signage. The total Year 1 cost is approximately \$7,500 this fiscal year. The Finance Director has indicated the PW Operating Supplies account can absorb this cost.