

City of Tualatin

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September 17, 2021

Caleb Weaver Ridwell

Re: Reducing Waste with Ridwell in Tualatin

Dear Mr. Weaver,

The City of Tualatin is in receipt of your letter dated August 19, 2021, where you explain the services Ridwell is proposing to provide within the City of Tualatin.

Specifically, the letter indicates that Ridwell intends to provide a service that "collects plastic film, plastic clamshells, clothing, Styrofoam, household batteries, household lightbulbs, and a rotating category of reusable items…" The letter then states that these services do not fall into the City's existing exclusive Franchise Agreement in Resolution No. 1318-11.

The City believes that Ridwell's services are within the definition of "solid waste" and that Ridwell's proposed services would violate the existing exclusive Franchise Agreement with Republic Services, as outlined in Resolution No. 1318-11.

The City is open to a full discussion with Ridwell in exploring ways to provide these services. As such:

- The City requests Ridwell pause accepting signups from any resident or business within the City of Tualatin and postpone plans to do business within the City.
- The City requests Ridwell provide proof of compliance with Metro Code Chapter 5 for the services it is proposing.
- The City invites Ridwell to meet with the City to discuss how Ridwell's proposed services could be provided in coordination with the City's existing exclusive Franchise Agreement with Republic Services.

The City looks forward to meeting with Ridwell, learning about its compliance with the Metro Code, and discussing possible options in an effort to find ways that Ridwell may serve those residents of Tualatin who are interested in signing up.

Please contact me at your convenience to set up a meeting to discuss.

Sincerely,

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