



### WHAT WE ARE CONSIDERING?

The Town of St. Paul recently had to replace their aging waste truck. The new truck has the technology to pick up custom waste bins and empty them into the truck. This would eventually allow the Town to redeploy some of the employees currently required to run the truck to other work. This new process would also greatly increase the safety aspect of this job for our employees.



### HOW WOULD THIS PROGRAM ROLL OUT?

Currently residents put out their waste in bags, or bins that they have purchased and a crew empties them by hand into the truck once a week. With the new system, the Town would purchase the required number of bins for residents, they would be allowed to fill the bin to capacity (and still close the lid) with household waste.



### WOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGES TO THE TYPES OF GARBAGE I COULD PUT IN THESE NEW BINS?

Items and substances currently not permitted in your weekly waste pickup would still not be allowed in these bins. Things like construction waste, grass clippings, (unless you qualify to buy stickers), paint and hazardous products wouldn't be allowed. The operators of the trucks will be able to see if the bins contained these barred products and after a fair transition time and written warning, your bin would not be emptied. If you had more waste than your waste bin could hold you would need to take that extra waste to the Transfer Station.

### WHAT IF I DON'T WANT SUCH A BIG BIN?

The Town would purchase some smaller waste receptacles. If you live alone or simply didn't want to handle the larger receptacles, a smaller version would be available for you, however the same rules will apply as far as no extra waste would be picked up if you cannot fit all your household waste within that smaller bin.

### WOULD MY WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE CHANGE?

At this point we are proposing on keeping the majority of households on the same schedule they are on now. The program would run for a few weeks and the schedule would be re-evaluated. We are proceeding on the assumption that pickup schedules will remain the same. If any residents were to have their schedule changed, they will be given as much notice as possible.

### WHAT COSTS WOULD BE CHARGED TO THE HOMEOWNERS AND WHAT RESPONSIBILITIES WOULD THEY HAVE?

We wouldn't anticipate any change in costs to the homeowner if we were to rollout this new bin program. Homeowners/property owners would be responsible for their waste bins. Bins would be numbered and chipped so if they go missing, we are able to track them down. Any replacement bins would be charged to the property owner. We would encourage all residents to keep these new waste receptacles in their garages or chain them to a stationary object like a fence or building, as long as the bin is released for the truck to pick them up and empty them.

Waste receptacles would be assigned to the property in question for life. If you were to sell your home and move, the waste receptacle would stay with the house.



### WOULD MY WASTE RECEPTACLE BE PICKED UP INFRONT OF MY HOUSE OR BEHIND MY HOUSE?

The Town's new waste truck has side mount arms to pick up the waste bins. If you had front pickup before, in all likelihood you will continue to have front pickup. Some alleys just don't have enough room for back pickup and those houses will move to front pickup.

On the back of this brochure there is a map with potential pickup locations for all blocks in town.

### WILL I HAVE A CHANCE TO ASK QUESTIONS AND VOICE ANY CONCERNS WITH THIS PROPOSED NEW WASTE PICKUP PROTOCOL?

**Open House**  
**Thursday, April 23, 2020**  
**Reunion Station**  
**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
**For more info, please email:**  
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