



TO: Mayor Chuck Barney
Members of the City Council

FROM: Jason Sorenson, Asst. Director of Public Works

DATE: May 18, 2017

SUBJECT: GARBAGE AND TRASH ORDINANCE CHANGES

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Recommend the City Council pass an ordinance on first reading amending Chapter 14 (Garbage and Trash)

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

Dan Jonasson, Public Works Director	857-4140
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III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

In mid-July the Minot Sanitation Department will be rolling out the new automated trash collection service. With the changes occurring with the service, many existing ordinances will no longer apply. Many of the changes are in reference to miscellaneous sanitation and landfill charges, waste cart placement, and how and where to place waste carts.

One of the major changes pertains to which residences the new service applies. As we went through the survey for cart size selection we discovered many residences that do not receive City trash collection. For many different reasons groups for the past 20-30 years have been allowed to opt out of City trash collection. Some of these were condos or town homes with private drives. Many of the properties are adjacent to City right of way, but are receiving private collection. More recently there are groups wanting to opt out because they don't like or don't want to participate in automated collection. Since one of the primary reasons to move to an automated type collection is to clean up our community and reduce loose trash blowing around, we should be ensuring as many residences as possible receive City collection. In an effort to reset and create a more standardized approach to collection, language has been added to the Code of Ordinances to mandate all single family residential collection is performed by the City of Minot. This change will affect approximately 1200 residences. We would plan to survey cart size for those affected once we complete automated collection roll out. Once we complete the survey and give residents time to cancel private hauling contracts, the City would acquire the necessary carts, assemble and deliver to each residence and bring these additional households into our collection service early in 2018.

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

NA

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

The change requiring City collection of all residential properties will affect approximately 1200 properties. These are properties that have been allowed to opt out of City collection for different reasons that currently use a private hauler for collection.

C. Fiscal Impact:

With the addition of 1200 new accounts to sanitation collection, this will generate approximately \$233,000 in additional income annually.

V. ALTERNATIVES

Alt 1. The Council could approve the ordinances as amended.

Alt 2. The City Council could make a recommendation to modify some of the recommended amendments.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS

Council's approval of the recommendation will ensure the proper ordinances are in place prior to start-up of the new collection service in mid-July.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- A. Code of Ordinances – Chapter 14 Garbage and Trash