



STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES & CORPORATE SERVICES

Waste Management Levels of Service – Curbside Organics and Pay as You Throw Waste Utility

Recommendation of the Committee

1. That Option 1: year round, bi-weekly organics and waste collection be implemented as the new waste management service level for all curbside residential households;
2. That the new service level for curbside organics and waste collection be funded as a unified waste utility;
3. That \$13.6M in capital funding be approved to implement Option 1 and that funding be borrowed from the future utility;
4. That the compost depots continue to operate with the existing level of service; and
5. That 2019 be the final season for the Green Cart subscription program and that a deadline of April 15, 2019, be implemented for new subscriptions.

History

At the September 10, 2018 Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services meeting, a report from the A/General Manager, Corporate Performance dated September 10, 2018 was considered.

Your Committee also received an email dated September 6, 2018, from Kalin Bews supporting the proposed Pay-as-You-Throw Waste Utility, along with submitted comments from Blake Reddekopp, dated September 5, 2018.

Your Committee has requested that the Administration create an enhanced strategy communication tool which would allow residents to access more specific information about current and future waste costs, to include:

- Amount currently paid for waste based on general assessment category;
- Amount paid for waste if mill rate funded approach is maintained (i.e. 2% tax increase) based on general assessment category;
- Amount paid with a waste utility model (including individual components - waste, organics, recycling); and
- A clear comparison of implementing this program or not in the short and long term.

This tool is being worked on by the Administration and is anticipated to go out on the project web page during the week of September 17, 2018.



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Your Committee has further requested that the Administration report on options to extend the organics collection period in the winter and what implications this could have on the cost of the service. It was asked that this additional reporting be available as part of the consideration of the matter at this City Council meeting. Attachment 2 to the Committee's report provides this additional information.

A PowerPoint presentation will be provided.

Attachment

1. September 10, 2018 report of the A/General Manager, Corporate Performance.
2. Additional information requested by the Committee at September 10, 2018 meeting.
3. Email dated, September 5, 2018 from Kalin Bews.
4. Email dated, September 6, 2018 from Blake Reddekoop.