

# Trash and Recycling Collection

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# Agenda

- **Survey Results and Conclusions**
- **Pros and Cons**
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  - b. Other Considerations
- **Scope of Services**
- **Other Contract Considerations**
- **Timing**
- **Recommendation and Request for a Single Refuse Hauler Program**



# Survey Results and Conclusions

- **531 responses from Hudson residents** (535 total respondents to the survey).
- **Cost was the primary issue.**
  - Question Four: What is important to you when selecting a trash / recycling service?
    - 58% chose “cost”
    - 27% chose “Quality”
  - Question Six: Would you support a single-hauler program for trash/recycling collection if the cost was equal to or lower than your current costs?
    - 74% chose “Yes”
    - 7% chose “No”
    - 19% wanted “more information”
- **Single-hauler option received the most favorable response.**
  - Question Nine: Rate from highest appeal (5) to lowest appeal (1) which option for trash hauling and recycling services most appeals to you.
    1. 48% Single hauler with a negotiated City-wide contract.
    2. 17% Multiple trash haulers, with freedom of choice (current system).
    3. 15% Multiple trash haulers with City setting one pickup day in each area.
    4. 15% Preferred trash hauler with a negotiated contract, but customers can opt out.
    5. 5% City limits the number of approved trash haulers, with freedom to choose.

## Pros and Cons: Cost Comparison

Community	Cost: 95 gal. trash container with recycling service per quarter
Macedonia	\$42.00
Tallmadge	\$42.00
Twinsburg Township	\$37.00
Twinsburg	\$41.00
Stow (Preferred Hauler)	\$51.00
Boston Heights	\$46.20
Avg. of surrounding communities	\$43.20
Hudson	\$60.00 to \$100.00

Note: A few Hudson residents pay for an entire year at a price of \$55.00 per quarter.

# Pros and Cons: Assumptions for Resident Cost Savings

- **Assumptions for Cost Savings Calculations:**
  - Approx. 7000 residences in Hudson
  - The average price in surrounding communities is approx. \$45 (rounded up) per quarter.
- **Yearly savings for homeowner at various payment rates:**  
**Savings based on a secured contract of \$55 per year.**

Homeowner Rate per Quarter	Savings per Year
\$55	\$40
\$75	\$120
\$100	\$220

## Pros and Cons: Assumptions for Resident Cost Savings

- **City wide *Savings* for all Hudson residents**

Homeowner Rate per Quarter	Total Savings for Residents
\$55	\$280,000
\$75	\$840,000

## Pros and Cons: Other Assumptions

### Pros

#### Lower Cost

- Competition at a higher level i.e. city-wide bid versus neighborhood or individual choice

#### Less Traffic on the streets

- Less Wear and Tear on the roads
- City can plan services easier around pick-up dates

#### Better Recycling Rates using 65 gallon containers

- Less recycling loss due to use of a closed container

#### Better Ability to Manage Pick-up Residential concerns

= Less for City to deal with (i.e. One hauler)

**New Residents in Hudson do not have to worry about choosing a waste hauler**

## Pros and Cons: Other Assumptions

### Cons

#### Lack of Choice

- May not be a local company
- Resident may not like the city making the choice

#### Day of the Week Pick-up may be restricted

- Presently, all waste is picked up all the time (every week day)



## Scope of Services for Contract

- **Several Levels of Service Options for Resi**
  - Small volume users
  - Set-back pick-up
- **Yard Waste Collection**
- **Additional and/or smaller containers provi**
- **Bulk Pick-up**
- **Customer Service Procedur**
- **Billing by Contractor**
- **Recycling Education**



## Other Contract Considerations

- **Residents who currently pay in advance or have a contract for trash and recycling services.**
  - How to resolve transition of service.
- **Private Streets or Condominiums**
- **Fuel Charges**
- **Holidays**
- **City Services**
  - City Facilities
  - Events
- **Penalties for Non-performance of Service**



## Timing

- Approval from Council for Permission to Advertise and Bid Contracts
- Provide a Recommendation to Award a Contract
- Council Approval of Change to Ordinance
- Advertise and Publicize
- Implementation by April 2016



## Recommendation

- The City of Hudson Environmental Awareness Committee recommends and supports the City to request bids for a single trash and recycling hauler and revise Ordinance 848.





