

City of Springfield

YARD WASTE



Mayor & City Council April 3, 2019

YARD WASTE SERVICE HISTORY

Curbside service implemented for City residents after Leaf Burning Ban in the 1990s.





1990 Illinois Landfill Ban → **MUST** be taken to a compost facility

YARD WASTE SERVICE HISTORY

Spring & Fall **Free** Pick Up has been standard program since 1990s

- Waste Haulers have handled the collection with some Public Works assistance.
 - Residents can also drop off yard waste bags to Evans Recycling.
 - No additional charge for drop off during spring and fall pick up or \$1/per bag throughout rest of year.
- Stickers are required for curbside pick up outside of the spring/fall free collection.
 - \$2.00 a sticker or \$2.50 a bag if picked up without a sticker.

CURRENT SERVICE ISSUES

Housing

Citation Process

- 1. Inspectors cite Waste Haulers
- 2. Fine *NOT* issued if picked up in 5 days
- 3. Inspectors have heavy load involving multiple Housing Code Violations

Environmental Footprint

- 1. Infrastructure Damage
- 2. Carbon Emissions
- 3. Contamination
- 4. Sticker Waste

Communication

- 1. Unclear Service Dates
- 2. Indirect Residential Communication

Pricing

- 1. Disposal Cost Increase (2022)
- 2. More Trees= More Cost
 - a. Penalized for having foliage
 - b. Penalized for not having transportation (curbside v. drop off costs)
 - Cost to Resident For Curbside Collection (\$2-> \$2.50 w/ \$.25 increase in 2022)
 - Cost to Resident For Drop Off (\$1/per bag)

Stickers

- 1. Indirect Service Collection
- 2. Minimal Oversight
- 3. Minimal Accountability

IMPROVED SERVICE OPTION

8 month every other week collection + 4 week citywide weekly sweep in the fall



2019

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IMPROVED SERVICE BENEFITS

Every other week collection + 4 week citywide sweep

- Scheduled Routes & Collection
- 1. Provides Clear Service to Residents
- 2. Reduces City Enforcement Requirements
- 3. Provides Direct Residential Communication
- Environmental Footprint
- 1. Minimize Infrastructure Damage
- 2. Minimize Carbon Footprint
- 3. Minimizes Contamination Issues
- 4. Eliminates Sticker Waste

- Stickers (Discontinue Current Program)
- 1. Removes Immediate Cost to Residents
- 2. Removes Issues on Hauler Responsibility or Confusion on Service Area
- 3. Provides Quicker & More Direct Service Collection
- 4. Provides Increased Oversight & Accountability
- 5. Any left over stickers could be used January-March until gone

5-year Cost/Service Comparison

Calendar Year (Fund)	Overall Cost	Service Provided
2014 (Sewer Fund)	\$147,400	City picked up spring, fall collection using contracted service & city
2015 (Sewer Fund)	\$147,400	City picked up spring, fall collection using contracted service & city
2016 (1/2 W&R Fund/ ½ Corporate Fund)	\$260,300	City picked up spring, fall collection using contracted service
2017 (W&R Fund)	\$262,300	City picked up spring, fall collection using contracted service
2018 (W&R Fund)	\$509,306 Spring = $$215,540 / Fall = $293,766$	Full contracted service for collection in spring and collection in fall
2019 (<i>NEW</i> proposed) (W&R Fund)	\$770,440	Full contracted service for 8 month/every other week curbside collection + fall 4 week citywide sweep
2019 (<i>OLD</i> renewed) (W&R Fund)	\$526,741 Spring = \$224,162 / Fall = \$302,579	Full contracted service for collection in spring and collection in fall

QUESTIONS?

