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Subject: Re: Bulk Pickup

Yes, please do.
I saw the citizen comments about how some people are opposed to be bulk trash pickup because the curbside piles create an eyesore. Well, in my neighborhood the curbside piles appear anywhere from a week to a few days before pickup. I don't mind that people start putting things out on the curb. At least it means that they're not putting big piles of junk in their yards that just stay there. The city has been really good to pickup on the days that they designate, and the piles disappear.
We do have some people who drive around looking for the curbside piles, and they pick through the debris to remove recyclable metals, etc. I thought that it was against city law, but they do it anyway. Last bulk pickup we had at least two of those pickup with trailer pickers.
The objections to the 'piles' seem to be in the minority. The dumpster idea...I don't like because there is a potential for having a dumpster in my culdesac for some unspecified time. When the neighbors put their debris piles at the curbside, at least I can drive through the street and get into my driveway. And I know exactly when to put out stuff and when the city will remove it. It looks like the dumpster could sit for 60 hours or more...and that just depends upon if Waste Management is on top of the placement and removal. I'm not prepared to have a dumpster in my neighborhood for more than the time they allot. And then it becomes a problem for me to keep contacting someone to come get the stuff.
Call me a pessimist, but at some point, I foresee a charge for this service coming from Waste Management...once they figure out the demand and the sporadic placement and retrieval possibilities. If the city wants to do this, it seems to me that the most efficient way to implement this is to get dumpsters scheduled for neighborhoods so that they are placed and removed in an organized manner. The point is keeping the city cleaned up and houses attractive to residents and potential buyers. If the dumpster idea starts becoming a 'hassle', the city is likely to find their demand for additional trashcans increased, and the debris from yard cleanup and other disposals included in curbside trash...or alternatively, piled in yards as an eyesore.
And if you ask me, the list of prohibited items won't stop someone from putting them in a dumpster in a neighborhood. So what happens then... if I reserve a dumpster and someone in

my neighborhood loads it with the stuff that's not supposed to be there... because they can...do I get penalized because I made the request? Or because I made the request, would I be responsible for removing the prohibited items from the dumpster? I don't want that responsibility.
Thanks,
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I saw a notice that the mayor is proposing to do away with bulk pickup in Sandy. I am opposed to that plan. I also saw that there was some kind of 'proposal' to replace it with dumpsters.
Let me just say that I don't believe the dumpster idea isn't a very good one. The idea that the city would have some dumpsters sitting on the streets for who knows how long creates a nuisance for residents, as well as the opportunity for rain water, dirt or other debris to collect in an open dumpster left out. While the city has been good about setting rules for bulk pickup, I see some of my neighbors including stuff that was not supposed to be removed. The city still picked up the stuff when someone wasn't following the instructions. Shocking, I know… The dumpster idea just makes it even more possible for the contents to include garbage, hazardous waste, tires, etc.
While Waste Management might be in the business of refuse and bulk refuse removal, how is the city going to monitor the placement and removal of all the dumpsters that might be required to cover the city? Who would residents call to find out when or where the dumpsters are? What kind of a time period are we talking about? Does Waste Management or other suppliers have enough dumpsters to cover all the neighborhoods or would this process be staggered? And if the dumpster placements and removals are staggered, how long is the city going to have dumpsters in neighborhoods? Who gets to monitor the service? I live on a culdesac, so putting a dumpster somewhere nearby could create a possible traffic problem, as well as an eyesore.

While I appreciate that the mayor is trying to cut costs, it occurs to me that there is a possibility that turning this collection service over to a 'for profit' business might actually cost more than using city equipment and personnel. I'd like someone on the council to review the cost comparison and the administration issues.

Thank you,

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