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SUBJECT | **AMENDMENTS TO RATES AND CHARGES FOR MUNICIPAL  
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION** |

## **OVERVIEW**

### **Purpose of Report**

To introduce “Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11” for first, second and third readings.

### **Recommendation**

That:

1. “Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11” (To update the bylaw to set rates for 2020) pass first reading;
2. “Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11”, pass second reading; and,
3. “Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11”, pass third reading.

## **BACKGROUND**

### **User rate**

Municipal solid waste collection fees are proposed to increase by 0.5% in 2020. This will bring the annual cost to \$171.00, an increase of \$1.00. The 2020 increase will be effective 2020-JAN-01.

	Current Annual	Proposed Annual	\$ Change	% Change	New Daily Rate
Residential	\$170.00	\$171.00	\$1.00	0.5%	0.46849

### **Operational Updates**

The City provides collection of organics, recyclables and residual solid waste for disposal from over 28,500 residential households in the City. As of July 28, 2018, all residences receiving City service for solid waste collection have been successfully transitioned to automated collection. In 2019, the number of households receiving collection increased, which created operational pressures. Staff have added two used spare collection vehicles to lessen future service disruption. We expect growth to continue in 2020, but we are in a better position to keep pace.

Diversion away from landfill disposal (as a percentage) increased and total waste disposed (in metric tonnes) at the landfill decreased. This is good news, and we expect further improvements with the City's Zero Waste Coordinator now in place. |

### **OPTIONS**

1. That "Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11" (To update the bylaw to set rates for 2020) pass first reading.
2. That "Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11" pass second reading; and,
3. That "Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11" pass third reading.
  - The advantages of this option: The City will meet its revenue targets, including asset management initiatives.
4. That Council deny first, second, and third readings to "Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11" (To update the bylaw to set rates for 2020).
  - The disadvantages of this option: The City will not meet its revenue targets.

### **SUMMARY POINTS**

- The Solid Waste Collection Service is funded 100% by user fees.
- The new rates result in an increase of \$1.00 per residence.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: "Municipal Solid Waste Collection Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 7128.11"

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