

City of Derby Trash Franchising Fast Facts #2



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What has the Citizens Advisory Board recommended?

- ⇒ At its April 14 meeting, the Trash/Recycling Advisory Board decided to recommend to the City Council that a contract be negotiated with Waste Connections to provide curbside trash and recyclables collection beginning in September 2009.

Highlights of the Waste Connections proposal

- ⇒ \$44.25/quarter for 95-gallon cart, with up to 10 extra bags free
- ⇒ \$38.25/quarter for 65-gallon cart, plus \$1 per extra bag
- ⇒ Services includes biweekly recyclables pickup + reward points through RecycleBank Program
 - Recyclables include cardboard, chipboard, plastics #1-7, steel & aluminum cans, clean aluminum foil, glass, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, phone books, and other light-colored paper (no sorting)
 - RecycleBank points are earned for every pound recycled. Use points to shop for rewards like groceries or gift cards at local businesses and on the internet.
- ⇒ Free roll-out service for disabled and elderly
- ⇒ Free coupon for one bulky item pickup per year
- ⇒ Free coupon for one pickup truck load taken to Waste Connections Transfer Station
- ⇒ Discounted rates for small businesses, community parades, festivals, and park events
- ⇒ Free service for city-owned facilities

What is the City Council doing?

- ⇒ At its April 28 Council meeting at 6:30 p.m., the City Council will hear the Advisory Board's recommendation and receive a presentation about the RecycleBank program.
- ⇒ The Council will consider whether to accept the recommendation of the advisory board and direct staff to negotiate a contract with Waste Connections. Such contract would be approved by the Council at a future meeting. Residents will be informed about how and when to transfer their service.

Does this eliminate competition?

- ⇒ Franchising changes the nature of competition by the City periodically having a competitive process for one hauler, rather than each customer having a daily ability to switch to another hauler.
- ⇒ Key components of the competition are keeping costs down for everyone and ensuring quality customer service. The City will include specific customer service requirements in the contract.
- ⇒ The City understands and respects the desire of some residents for personal choice of haulers. That desire is being balanced against costs, as well as quality of services.



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