

Proposed Brush Program Changes & Revisions to Solid Waste Ordinance (ORD-2020-056)

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Contributing Factors

- LOS not established by ordinance (2009)
 - Some LOS parameters in Fee schedule & public info
 - Enforcement hampered
- Storm response
 - Good intentions
 - No definitive time frame and/or area
 - No limits



Consequences

- Demands > Capabilities
 - 5,916 tons 2019 (407 days @ 14.5 tons/day/truck)
 - 32% of total service calls in FY 18-19
 - Growth to NW and SW
 - Staffing challenges



Consequences

- Operational Impact
 - Customers unsatisfied
 - Core services weakened
 - Equipment burdened
 - Personnel resources strained



Consequences

- Cost/Rate Inequity
 - 12% of customers requested brush collection
 - Cost born by all; subsidy
 - Private sector subsidy
 - Hauling costs
 - Landfill fees bypassed



What is our course of action?

1. Define LOS
2. Codify LOS parameters via ordinance
(obligations, expectations, enforcement)



Waco Brush LOS

	Brush/Tree Waste	Extra Fee?	Collection Limits	Monthly Fee
<p>Current</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 95g garbage • 1-2 95g recycling • 1-2 95g yard waste 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green cart (2x / mo; up to .94 cy) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Piles by call-in</u> • 2/mo <= 1 ton to Cobb or landfill 	No	No limits on pile sizes, limb sizes, bags, placement, etc.	\$16.10
<p>Recommended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 95g garbage • 1-2 95g recycling • 1-2 95g yard waste • Yard waste bags 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green cart & ltd. stacks (2x / mo.) • 4 trips / yr to Cobb or landfill • Special events (CD cleanups) 	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents only • Max 20 leaf bags (paper) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limb <= 3" • Max 4'x4'x4' stack (2.4 cu. yds.) • Placement parameters 	\$16.10

- The bed of a full size standard pickup when loaded level full will hold +/- 2.5 cy
- A cord of wood measures 4'x 4' x 8'

Pros & Cons

- PROs
 - Improves City's appearance
 - Serves residential maintenance (up to 3.34 cy)
 - Ends (?) / curtails abuses
 - Provides flexibility
 - Rate equity improved
 - LOS for cost (rate) comparable to other cities
- CONs
 - Piles/stacks > 4x4x4 (2.4cy) via private hauler
 - Commercial services must take to disposal facility
 - Requires more prep work to meet parameters



Ordinance Changes

- Article 1: In General
 - Definitions:
 - Clarifications/revisions
 - Yard Waste bags (new)
 - 21-14: Special Cleanup Events
 - 21-16: Abatement capability
 - 21-17: Emergency Suspension



Ordinance Changes, cont'd

- Article II: Residential Collection
 - 21-23: Permitted yard waste:
 - Residential
 - fit in cart or bag (limit 20)
 - 21-24: Permitted brush:
 - SFR maintenance & cleaning; no commercial
 - 4' x 4' x 4' (2.4 CY limit)
 - No larger than 3" diameter



Ordinance Changes, cont'd

- Article II: Residential Collection, cont'd
 - 21-25: List of eligible recycling items
 - 21-26: Specific requirements for placement
 - 21-27: Non conforming to disposal facility
 - 21-29: Bulky Waste
 - Call in; limited to one per month
 - 8 CY limit (up charge available)
 - 21-30: Additional Regulations
 - 4 trips to facility per year at no charge (limit 1 ton ea.)
 - Photo ID and utility bill required



Ordinance Changes, cont'd

- Article III: Commercial Collection
 - 21-24: List of items prohibited from dumpster or roll-offs
 - 21-42: Non conforming to disposal facility



Next Steps

- Consider ordinance (Jan. 21 & Feb. 4 CC agenda)
- Finalize public information/education campaign
- Changes effective March 1, 2020



End Presentation

