

TO:

Municipal Services Committee

FROM:

Nathan Loper, Deputy Director of Public Works

DATE:

June 2, 2014

SUBJECT:

Proposed changes to commercial recycling collection rates

The City of Appleton provides a recycling collection service to commercially zoned properties within the City. We currently have 350 customers and generate approximately \$90,900 in revenue annually by providing this service. Customers have the option to choose the frequency of collection (weekly, bi-weekly or monthly) and also choose from 3 cart sizes at the following rates:

95 Gallon Automated container	\$ 4.95 per pick (\$ 1.65 per additional container)
300 Gallon Automated container	\$ 7.70 per pick (\$ 4.40 per additional container)
450 Gallon Automated container	\$ 9.90 per pick (\$ 6.05 per additional container)

The rates listed above have been in place since December 5, 2004 and are no longer competitive with other local recycling haulers. The lowest quote we received from a private hauler was \$12.50 per pick for a 2 yard dumpster (403 gallons), which is the smallest size they offered.

The Public Works Department requests that the rates be increased effective January 1, 2015 to the following:

95 Gallon Automated container	\$ 6.00 per pick (\$ 2.00 per additional container)
300 Gallon Automated container	\$ 9.00 per pick (\$ 5.00 per additional container)
450 Gallon Automated container	\$ 11.00 per pick (\$ 7.00 per additional container)

If approved, letters will be sent to all existing customers to notify them of the changes so they can plan and budget for the increase.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.