

Disadvantages of an organized trash collection system

- Although customers would have a choice of service levels, they would lose the choice of service provider.
- A major public education effort would be required to make everyone aware of the changes, and the transition would be more difficult for people who are uncomfortable with change.
- Some residents may experience an increase in price over the artificially low rates offered by haulers campaigning against organized collection.
- Residents will have to choose their services from the standard set offered. This may not include some services they receive now.
- There would be an increased administrative burden associated with getting a new system set up and running, including developing the RFP, evaluating proposals, developing a contract agreement.
- The City would have to monitor and enforce the terms of the contract.
- Residents opposed to organized collection are usually far more vocal than residents who support organized collection. Staff and elected officials are likely to experience negative feedback from those individuals. In other cities, this has been temporary.
- Decreased business opportunities for haulers.