



Hamilton

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Item 8.5

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## Impacts of new development on Waste Collection

- Since introducing the Places to Grow Act, 2005, there has been a shift towards more compact communities, including increased growth of multi-residential properties.
- Compact developments pose challenges with providing waste collection service due to lack of room for waste collection vehicle maneuvering and limited space for residential units or buildings to set out their waste containers

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## **Purpose of document:**

- Guide how developers design new developments so that buildings are compatible with waste collection methods

## **Currently:**

- Waste staff review development applications and provide comments to Planning on required changes to comply with guidelines
- Developers either make required revisions or opt for private waste collection, which may be an attempt to circumvent the current design guidelines

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- **Goals of the revised guidelines are to provide:**
  - Waste collection that is safe and efficient;
  - Waste storage that is aesthetically pleasing and effective; and
  - Equity to all residents by making diversion programs easily accessible

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- Benchmarked guidelines from the following 9 municipalities:
  - ✓ Toronto
  - ✓ Peel Region
  - ✓ Niagara Region
  - ✓ Halton Region
  - ✓ Brantford
  - ✓ Guelph
  - ✓ London
  - ✓ Richmond Hill
  - \* Vancouver
- Municipalities selected based on last revision date of guidelines and geographical proximity
- \* Vancouver selected as BC has already transitioned their blue box program to EPR

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**Priority change:** require new developments to meet waste design guidelines even if they opt for private waste collection

## **Next steps for document:**

- Reviewed by affected Directors (Planning, Transportation, Building, Environmental Services)
- Reviewed by other stakeholders (ie. West End Home Builders Association)
- Finalized by staff
- Will be made available on the City's website and communicated that the updated guidelines are now in effect