



Operations Update

Solid Waste Collection Design Requirements

Item 8.3 (d)

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Waste Chutes

- As per Council direction, staff will add the requirement for buildings to install a chute system capable of diverting waste according to the Hamilton's current program
- Staff recommendation is a system that includes separate chutes for each waste stream: garbage, organics, container recycling and fibre recycling
- Only buildings with more than 6 storeys and 30 or more units will be required to have a chute system
- Recommendation includes that low-rise buildings (those with 6 storeys or less) will have the option to not install chutes but must have all waste taken to a central room for disposal

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Transition to New Requirements

- Staff is working with Planning & Economic Development to determine the parameters of a transition policy to the new requirements
- This policy will provide a grace period for development applications at a certain point in the approval process to be exempt from meeting the new requirements
- As an example, a site plan application that has already received conditional approval from the City would not be required to meet new requirements

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Allowance for Private Waste Collection

- Currently, developers self declare if they will require private waste collection.
- Staff is recommending that moving forward, developers must seek permission from staff to design a property to not meet requirements for municipal waste collection.

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The recommended criteria for a site to retain private waste collection will include:

- Property has site constraints such as size and shape that make it impossible for a waste collection vehicle to enter and exit the property in a forward motion.
- Constraints on site development from external bodies such as conservation authorities.
- If there are conflicts between the waste design requirements and requirements or policies of other City departments/divisions that result in City staff determining that private waste collection is the best solution for the site.
- Staff may consider innovative waste options that support the City's waste diversion goals but are not supported by the current City infrastructure.