



Hamilton

Garbage Carts for Multi-Residential Buildings

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BACKGROUND

- During the last revision of the Waste Design Requirements it was determined that there was a gap in how the City collects garbage from multi-residential buildings
- Currently, buildings with six or more units must be serviced with front-end bins
- City staff are in the process of piloting garbage carts in small multi-residential buildings to inform how to best implement garbage carts and update the Waste Design Requirements

TODAY'S OUTCOMES

- Today's discussion is to seek feedback from the Development Industry Liaison Group on:
 - What needs to be considered when implementing garbage carts including changes to the Waste Design Requirements
 - If there is general support for this approach

PILOT PROGRAM DETAILS

- What is being proposed?
 - Have all existing buildings using garbage bags to implement carts
 - Have all existing buildings requiring collection vehicles to reverse on public roads to implement carts
 - Develop requirements for new small buildings to use carts instead of front-end containers
- What are the benefits:
 - Carts are more aesthetically pleasing than bags
 - Carts reduce litter and make garbage less accessible to vermin compared to bags
 - Provides design requirements that are easier to meet for new small multi-residential buildings (no loading space or on-site truck movements required)

PILOT PROGRAM DETAILS

| Pilot Building Details | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Building Address | Number of Units | Current Collection Method | Number of Carts Provided |
| 932 King Street East | 20 | Bag | 8 |
| 1424 King Street East | 7 | Bag | 3 |
| 1430 King Street East | 7 | Bag | 3 |
| 29 Balmoral Avenue South | 8 | Bag | 3 |
| 15 Ontario Avenue | 8 | Bags | 3 |
| 116-120 Ottawa Street North | 11 | Bag | 4 |
| 116 Robinson | 12 | Bag | 5 |
| 90 Locke St S. | 7 | Bag | 3 |
| 7 Osler Court | 22 | Front-End | 9 |

NEXT STEPS

- Complete the pilot program – expected completion is spring 2025
- Provide an update to the DILG at the conclusion of the pilot with learnings and proposed changes to the Waste Design Requirements

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QUESTIONS?

