

# SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

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City of Warrensburg

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## CITY CODE REQUIREMENTS

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- Residents and businesses are required to obtain waste disposal services from a licensed waste hauling company.
- Waste hauling company is required to get a business license to operate within city limits.

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## CITY'S CURRENT ROLE

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- Code enforcement
- Answer trash-related questions
- Processing business licenses for haulers
- Location of trash receptacles on site plans
- Citywide clean-up
- Provide site for brush dump and recycling center



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## HISTORICAL CONTEXT

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- State law requires city to have an adopted solid waste plan.
- Operating under a solid waste plan adopted in 1993.
- City conducted a solid waste study in 2005, but never adopted a new plan or made amendments to Chapter 11 as recommended.

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 2005 STUDY

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- Implement residential solid waste & recycling services contract
- Implement an integrated solid waste management coordinator
- Implement a licensing & inspection program
- Ban residential yard waste burning
- Implement recycled content purchasing policy
- Supplement curbside recycling program with drop-off program

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## CITYWIDE CONTRACT RECOMMENDATION

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### ADVANTAGES

- Possibly lower costs
- Pay-as-you-throw system
- Solid waste coordinator position
- Increased services
- Reduce truck traffic
- Codes easier to enforce

### DISADVANTAGES

- Limitations on amount of trash
- Eliminate haulers from market
- Possibly increase costs
- Containers purchased/replaced
- Enforcement actions required for non-compliance

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## CITYWIDE CONTRACT PROCESS

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- Missouri law require two-year grace period before a solid waste contract can be implemented.
- Allows city to design a program, prepare request for qualifications, and educate residents on change in services.

### DESIGN A PROGRAM

Unit based system  
Curbside recycling  
Curbside yard waste  
Citywide clean-ups  
Billing



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## PUBLIC & CITY COUNCIL SENTIMENT IN 2010

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### PUBLIC

- Put local haulers of business
- Competition among haulers keeps prices down
- Unfair to elderly residents
- Increased expense to city
- Recycling should not be mandated

### CITY COUNCIL

- Beautification a goal of the city
- Decrease wear and tear on streets
- Heard a lot of resistance from community members
- If council is not interested, no sense in continuing to waste staff time

# SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION

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Update the solid waste study and adopt a new solid waste plan before making any decisions related to solid waste management in the community.