

Agenda Commentary

Curb-Side Single Stream Recycling Proposals

Three proposals have been received.

1. City of Clinton can offer curb-side for \$4.05 extra per household per month. Bi-weekly pick-up.
2. Progressive can offer curb-side recycling ONLY, for extra \$6.45 per month. Weekly pick-up.
3. Republic will offer curb-side recycling for no extra to citizens. Bi-weekly pick-up. Recycling Rebate with addition of a new Transcyclery This proposal is bundled with Trash pick-up. Republic can provide no-cost recycling with taking all the Sanitation Waste operations. Prices to customers would not increase. 10 year, CPI contract. New CNG trucks, bins, and dumpsters will be provided. Residential pick-up will become curb-side for all customers. (Current dumpster operation does not meet Republic Safety requirements). City of Clinton equipment and fleet would be sold to highest 3rd party bidder. Republic offering City Drivers employment.

Recommendation:

Council/Authority has reviewed the proposals and heard from the community. Staff recommends that if the Council wants Curb-Side Single Stream Recycling as a direction for Clinton, Republic is the obvious choice (both financially and operationally). However, staff cannot recommend increasing costs to our citizens. It would be fiscally irresponsible to increase rates. Staff supports any direction the Board chooses. We appreciate the debate and community conversation regarding Clinton's recycling future.

One suggestion regarding sanitation department equipment sale, if this would occur City of Clinton has needs at parks, Acme, swimming pool, etc. These funds could be a great support for improvements in areas the community needs to see improved.