

Lynne DeVallier (Cook Avenue E.) said that they should be able to pick who they want. They should not all have the same trash hauler. I told her that the City has come to an agreement with 15 trash haulers, and she responded that they should be able to pick what they want. People already cannot afford things. The City already does enough that people don't have a say in. Furthermore, DeVallier feels that service will not be as good. The prices will jack up.

Michael Tschida – 14xx Hartford – Called in opposition to organized trash being run by government and the prices are too high.

Dear Council Member Dan Bostrom,

A city takeover of the garbage system is a complicated process and an overstep by the City of Saint Paul. It's the wrong idea at the wrong time. I object to the City's efforts to create a one-size-fits "solution" for every neighborhood and resident.

This constraining system will take choice away from homeowners, endangers companies' operations, and put employees out of work. The proposal is costly, as most Saint Paul residents will be facing a 25-50% hike in their garbage bill and an unnecessary City fee of \$52 for all residents.

Please listen to your constituents and stop increasing my trash bill!

The City shouldn't fix something that is not broken!

So I will be paying more with no additional benefits? Minneapolis at least gets dump vouchers and free bed mattress removal, etc. I understand that you are trying to help prevent illegal dumping, but there will be a lot of people who will be affected in a negative way by this. We are already paying for these roads, let us save where we can save instead of nickel and dimming us to death where we have to move away!

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VOICEMAILS RECEIVED JULY 24TH and JULY 25TH

Rosalind @ 1708 E Iowa objects to organized trash. She is concerned about the cost. She now pays \$228/year. With the new plan, she will pay \$344.80/year. The cost is way out of line.

Michelle Nachurazin – lives on Duluth/Jessamine is generally in support of organized trash because of the limited trucks on the road but is not happy about prices! She pays \$20/month now. She like the large bulk pick up option but not if it increases the price a lot!

Barb Phillip opposes organized trash, especially the Admin fee. Please oppose this idea!

Anonymous caller opposes organized trash because it is more expensive.

Annette @ 1172 Rose East opposes organized trash.

James Chase @ 98 Wheelock highly opposes organized trash because it is doing away with capitalism – one of the things that has made this country great! There will be no new start-up garage companies.

Anonymous caller opposes garbage takeover and wants the city to “stay in competition.”

An anonymous senior left message opposing organized trash. She pays \$33 every 3 months and is afraid the new system will make it lots more expensive.

Joann Sullivan, another senior, opposes organized trash. She will be paying \$140/year on the new system. This is too much money for somebody on a fixed income. Please oppose!

Jim Nelson says "forget about the new trash idea" and leave it the way it is right now! The new way is too expensive.

Joan Prill @ 1677 Abell Street opposes garbage takeover.

Susan Moss @ 918 Sherwood says vote No on garbage collection. She has so many neighbors and acquaintances that share trash with others and can't afford the new way.

Vicki Olson opposes the city takeover of garbage.

Marilynn @ 1897 Hawathorne opposes organized trash. She pays \$26.99/month for a 96 gallon barrel. This is nuts. We don't want it!

Eleanor Bloom @ 1633 East Cottage opposes organized trash.

Janice Melgaard @ 2140 Case opposes organized trash.

An anonymous senior on a fixed income called to say he opposes organized trash. He will pay \$141/year more with new plan!

Marilynn Nelson called to say keep garbage the way it is. She is a senior herself and lots of seniors are on tight budgets. Adding an admin fee is not good. She has friends who share containers and worries about how they will afford it now.

Mary Jo @ 1965 Nevada, a senior citizen opposes organized trash.

Sandra @ 1433 Ames Avenue opposes organized trash.

Kristine Hope - Called re OTC asking C/M Tolbert to vote no to city takeover of garbage. She shares with 3 other senior citizens and that works and helps them all keep lower costs.

Long-time Ward 2 resident is opposed to organized trash collection.

Greg Lendway 1272 Juliet Left VM that he lives in the Ward, has talked with you on many occasions and calling today in opposition to the garbage proposal. He urges you to delay the vote until it can be done right.

I oppose the plan for uniform trash hauling rates for residential customers across the city. We have done the math and it will be a 30% increase in fees to us, plus the strange \$52 yearly fee (what does that pay for exactly?). We hope Councilmember Tolbert does not vote in favor of this plan.

Thank you,
Char Mason, 695 Mount Curve Blvd.

City Council and Mayor-

I would like to express my opposition to the Coordinated Collection of trash in St Paul. I do not produce enough trash to warrant even the lowest proposed pick up plan of every other week. With projected costs for this service my trash collection expense will almost quadruple.

I currently take my trash to Twin Cities Refuse. I do this 5-6 times a year at \$10 per trip. The first month of pickup and the "administrative fee" will almost meet my current yearly budget.

I am sure there are hundreds, if not thousands, of households in my situation. There are many elderly people or neighbors who pool their trash service who would be forced to take a service that is not needed.

If the city council is of the mind that one trash hauler per neighborhood will create the safest, cleanest city (I look forward to the lower taxes for road repair given the reduction in truck traffic) then DO NOT require all citizens to participate. This will be an unneeded burden on many households.

On the subject of illegal dumping...it is anybody's guess as to what will happen with this. It is my opinion that people with the moral compass that says it is OK to dump their couch or bag of trash on the side of the road will not have a revelation of manners and not dump their junk on the side of the road. After their three "bulkies" (if they even use that service) will they then take their items to the dump or pay to have it removed? Not likely. People who are inconsiderate now will still be inconsiderate, no matter what the city demands.

City council members and Mayor - Please do not force this unneeded expense on the residents of St Paul.

George Auffert
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St Paul, MN 55102

I want to voice my opposition to this initiative in the strongest terms. I was hoping that in this one instance that the City would have finally done something that was in the best interest of its citizens. My child-like faith was rewarded with the all-too-common truth that this initiative is designed to milk St. Paul's citizens yet again: via bait-and-switch, false promises and providing services for a fee that no one requested.

I currently use the smallest waste receptacle. It is picked up **weekly** by Highland Sanitation for \$15.66. If I have yard waste or other items I am charged for them as used. There is no admin fee and taxes are included in that rate.

St. Paul is proposing that I spend \$20/month for a bi-weekly pickup. No matter how you slice or dice this comparison it is highway (alleyway) robbery!

Had I not already had a hideous building (the Finn) forced upon me against my and my neighbors' will and were we not about to have a truly monstrous development forced upon us by your eminences, I

might try to approach this with a bit more equanimity. This, however, is the equivalent of the straw that breaks the camel's back.

The citizens of St. Paul have not dumped millions of dollars down the sewers for unwanted developments, we have not committed millions of dollars annually to TIF districts, we have not forced staff (police, Bear Crossing, and etc.) to commit acts which have led to lost lawsuits at the City's (read taxpayers) expense. You have personally and jointly done just that. And then you have turned to us and ordered us to pay the bill.

This is beyond belief. Fix it! This is a solution in search of a profit. Leave it in the ashcan where it belongs.

Howard Miller

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July 25, 2017

JANE L. PRINCE
320-C CITY HALL
15 W. KELLOGG BLVD
ST. PAUL MN 55102

To Jane Prince:

We are writing to express our opposition to the proposed change in garbage collection in our city of St. Paul.

We are against this change for the following reasons:

- 1) We think the current system is working.
- 2) Competition between various garbage haulers is good for us, the consumer.
- 3) The proposed change will result in a significant cost increase for our family.
- 4) The \$52.00 proposed yearly charge for "cart maintenance" is completely unacceptable. We are certainly capable of maintaining our own cart!!
- 5) Please keep the government out of the garbage hauling business. Allow private citizens/us to continue selecting the hauler and costs that work the best for them/us.

Please vote against this proposed change.

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Saint Paul City Clerk

We like our trash collectors

They listen to use

They give us good service + rates

we don't want the city involved

we can live with different trash trucks going down our alleys - even 2 or 3 a day.

They can see suspicious people in our alleys

In the Cherokee Park area - people speed by the park

They speed and go through stop.

Sigas on Chippewa, Delaware Cherokee.

Stand on Annapolis from Smith to B and watch speeders -

Speeding all the time
They don't stop for pedestrians
crossing on Annapolis

We like our trash people

Stop the speeders,

Our trash collection works
fine.

Get the mayor after drug
dealers, rapists, gangs
not trash collectors