

From: Gretz/Chutich [mailto:susangmikec@q.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 5:52 PM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

Subject: Very supportive of Org Trash Collection

Dear Chris: we are longtime residents of St. Paul and delighted to see the City moving forward with organized trash collection. We are especially interested in the environmental benefits -- reduced air and noise pollution. We were a bit disappointed to see apartment buildings exempted from the plan, given there are so many apartments in St. Paul. But this is a great victory for common sense nonetheless.

Thank you for your support for the initiative.

Susan Gretz

Mike Chutich

1283 Sargent Avenue

St. Paul, MN 55105

651-698-8953

From: Hillary Frazey [mailto:hillary.frazey@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:25 AM

To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council

Cc: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

Subject: Support for Coordinated Trash Collection

Hello,

I am a St Paul resident (Ward 3) writing in support of city-wide coordinated trash collection.

Nearly every other city in the country has figured out that organized trash hauling is the way to go: cheaper, better for the environment, easier for new residents, and so on. Saint Paul is no different, and I am thrilled to see you were able to work out a plan with so many benefits for residents.

Please approve the Coordinated Collection plan so we can join the rest of the country in enjoying these benefits.

Sincerely,

Hillary Frazey

2027 Stanford Ave

St Paul, MN 55105

From: llopoukh@ureach.com [mailto:llopoukh@ureach.com]

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 10:36 AM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

Cc: *CI-StPaul_AllInProgram

Subject: Wrong Idea, Wrong Time

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unless this service is provided with no additional increases to my taxes, I do NOT want the city choosing my provider.

Lydia Hoffman
1912 GOODRICH AVE
Saint Paul, MN 55105

From: dlsiegel@uwalumni.com [mailto:dlsiegel@uwalumni.com]

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 10:59 AM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

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What happened to "choice"?

David Siegel
1704 BOHLAND AVE
Saint Paul, MN 55116

From: Davkats@q.com [mailto:Davkats@q.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 6:20 PM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

Cc: *CI-StPaul_AllInProgram

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Say No, The city's got enough stuff to worry about then getting involved in garbage pick up !!!

Dave Sternquist

2326 STEWART AVE

Saint Paul, MN 55116

From: Thorsondd@live.coms [mailto:Thorsondd@live.coms]

Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:35 PM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

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Stop the bullshit .

Daniel Thorson

1763 SHERIDAN AVE

Saint Paul, MN 55116

From: Stacey140@gmail.com [mailto:Stacey140@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 04, 2017 7:44 PM

To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3

Cc: *CI-StPaul_AllInProgram

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I don't want you to make this decision for me. The recycling isn't going well, why would this? Respectfully I say, stay out of this.

Stacey Von Wald
511 SARATOGA ST S
Saint Paul, MN 55116

From: ekdively@gmail.com [mailto:ekdively@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 04, 2017 4:17 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3
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City run program tends to be expensive and ineffective service historically.

Local Haulers know local best than local government with political appointees.

Monopoly business is poor answer and government have no incentive to improve while local haulers with profit incentives tend to improve effectively.

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532 SNELLING AVE S
Saint Paul, MN 55116

From: mjschaak@yahoo.com [mailto:mjschaak@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 02, 2017 2:43 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward3
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I like the service I get from Highland Sanitation and really do NOT need the City to mess that up, too. Maybe alleys need to get 1 hauler for the alley as we have on our block and even get a discount. It is not like the alleys are a priority in St. Paul. No signs for children in alleys, no lights unless private pay, and little maintenance..

Mary Jo Schaak

1737 ELEANOR AVE

Saint Paul, MN 55116

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Please try and do a better job on what duties you already have and let us choose our own trash service!!!!!!!!!!!!

Corine Goodrich

13xx DANFORTH ST – Ward 5

Saint Paul, MN 55117

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Nicole Gariepy

13xx BRADLEY ST – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55130

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Linda Dahl

16xx DALE ST N – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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We are senior citizens in this city and lived in this area for over 50 years, This undertaking by the city of St. Paul is an affront to me and my neighbors. We have a great trash collector now in Highland and do not wish to have to change to a collector we had before and were not happy with. We hope that this nonsense can be over with and life can continue on as before. Thank you.

Robert Schmidt

4xx LAWSON AVE W – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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Telephone Call to Ward 5

Opposed to Coordinated Trash Collection.

- About protecting the streets; however currently 6 hauler trips per week versus School Buses that are doing 7, 8, or 9 trips twice daily
- Doesn't want to lose his hauler
- Likes the quarterly billing that his current hauler has – doesn't want a monthly billing
- What about cart costs? Cart provided by his private hauler – expects that may not be the case with coordinated collection
- Expects that other fees will be charged to residents for “administrative” fees – more taxes!
- Why fix something that's not broken?

Mr. Sieberer

3xx Rose Ave – Ward 5

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Absolutely I do Not want the City of St Paul to take over trash hauling. You may also come and pick up your recycling bin. I will never use it!! I bring mine over to Como Ave now.

Valerie Quinlan

7x HAWTHORNE AVE E – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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George Frederick

9xx GROTTO ST N – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55103

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Against Coordinated Trash

Lee Wall – Ward 5

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I don't think this is totally a bad idea, I am concerned that the city will chose a company where I will have to pay more then I am now. I want it be a good company and I reasonablly priced.

Laurie Steehler

7x GERANIUM AVE W – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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Thomas Kneissel

9xx MONTANA AVE W – Ward 5
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We do not want the City to take over the garbage collections. We have been very happy with the same company for over 30 years. We do not want to change. Its wrong. The city should be putting more time and effort into fixing and maintaining their streets.

Gail Quinn

7xx MONTANA AVE W – Ward 5
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Kent Kaiser

14xx MARION ST – Ward 5
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Michael Spreigl

11xx MATILDA ST – Ward 5
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How about city gov puts their efforts into fixing what is wrong and leaving what works alone

Mathew Brownlee

9xx BRADLEY ST – Ward 5
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Please DO Not pick our trash hauler! Let US CHOOSE WHO WE WANT!

Thank you.

Phyllis Lentsch

8xx CALIFORNIA AVE W – Ward 5
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karen behm

4xx FRONT AVE – Ward 5
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I can already see how this would work. The first year the rates will be super cheap, the next year the rates will be sky high because the city will realize that they are losing money on this heavy handed tactic. Nothing like taking away my freedom of choice and forcing me in to something I do not agree with.

DO NOT support this effort by the City of Saint Paul to micro-manage citizens and businesses.. Focus more on fixing the infrastructure of the city like roads, bridges, government over-spend tactics, etc.

Scott Tesch

15xx MAYWOOD ST – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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Happy with service we have used for years. Likely to May more for less if government involved. Stay out of it.

Elizabeth Ramstrom

10xx IOWA AVE W – Ward 5
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St.Paul has bigger issues(roads, lowering taxes, crime), we don't want you as garbage haulers!

Mark N

8xx IDAHO AVE W – Ward 5
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As resident of the Payne-Phalen neighborhood, using EME garbage service, I do not wish to change my hauler nor do I wish to have my garbage service chosen for me or dictated to me by the city of St. Paul.

Please focus your energy on making this community safer, healthier for the residents, as well as creating jobs in our community. For example, the vacant lot on the SW corner of Maryland and Payne avenues

would be a lovely site for a small Aldi's grocery store. Not only would the store provide jobs for people in the community but, they would offer a much needed affordable shopping experience for us as well. While I do enjoy the many new restaurants, like Caydence coffee shop and restaurants such as Magnolia's, Ward 6, Eastside Thai, La Taqueria, Sonjia's, Tongue in Cheek, San Miguel's, Bon Bon's, and Brunson's, I do feel that we need grocery store on our area. We don't have a local grocer that would appeal to all residents as well as offering goods in our price point.

I know this is a bit off topic but, I thank you for taking this matter under consideration. You have successfully assisted me in the past and I have every confidence that you will continue to represent all of us, in our best interest, here in the Payne-Phalen neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Linda Desenclos

3xx COOK AVE E – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55130

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I firmly believe that it is not possible for the government to handle any program more efficiently, more effective, or less expensively than the private sector. Just stop trying!

Craig Reed

6x JESSAMINE AVE E – Ward 5
Saint Paul, MN 55117

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To the Saint Paul City Council:

It is with great displeasure that I find myself having to state the case of where government, again, feels it is their "right" to encroach on private business. Whenever this happens, it most often becomes a major "trial & error" plan, aka, Saint Paul's recycling program. I opted out of the program and it still costs me \$35.00/yr. How is this fair to the citizens you were elected to represent. Every program leads to increased costs, which then translates to costing the citizens of Saint Paul! I challenge you to show me any project/ program, previously operated by private industry, that was "taken over" by a government entity that now or has reduced operating costs, streamlined operations, or has not turned it into a convoluted mess. This encroachment has nothing to do with helping the citizens of Saint Paul to have a better refuse collection process. What it has to do with designing a plan is to satisfy "The Few" at the expense of the many! Please focus on taking care of the programs/ projects that are currently broken or are in disarray! Leave the garbage collecting industry alone!

James Siegel

14xx CUMBERLAND ST – Ward 5
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I just found out via a telephone call today (6-24-17) about this. When I first started looking into things I saw this has been going on for a long time in relative secrecy. Why was more not done to make us aware of this? Is it because you are afraid of getting people's input?

James Bourdeau

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Sarah Reed

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kevin Spaeth [mailto:kevingspaeth@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:15 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Subject: Trash collection

Dear council members,

I would like to voice my opinion regarding trash hauling in St. Paul. We currently enjoy having our own private trash hauler. The competition between companies creates a good environment for the homeowner as far as service and cost. My wife and I moved from Minneapolis four years ago and have adopted to both systems of trash collection. In Minneapolis the city provides service for homeowners as part of property taxes (as well as alley plowing which I think St. Paul should provide). I think the city becoming a middle man between the homeowners and the trash haulers becomes a slippery slope. It also adds a layer of cost that was not there before the change. I think the city should either leave the situation as is or take it over all together.

Sincerely, Kevin Spaeth

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From: Victor Hanson [mailto:victor.hanson@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:05 AM

To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Subject: Coordinated Collection

The proposal will QUADRUPLE my costs for trash pickup for the year. I support the city *trying* to find a solution, but QUADRUPING my costs by not allowing neighbors to share trash bins is a huge failure and speaks poorly of the city council. I didn't really want or expect this to be a big issue, but this is fast becoming one. Honestly, as a lifelong Democrat, I'm exceptionally disappointed and am seriously considering my options next election if this is the best you can do. It's basically every Republican talking point come to life: "big government taking away choices and making things MORE expensive." How brain dead do you have to be to force this down our throats without some options for homeowners to work together?

Victor Hanson
St. Paul, MN 55108

From: Hillary Frazey [mailto:hillary.frazey@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:25 AM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Cc: #CI-StPaul_Ward3
Subject: Support for Coordinated Trash Collection

Hello,

I am a St Paul resident (Ward 3) writing in support of city-wide coordinated trash collection.

Nearly every other city in the country has figured out that organized trash hauling is the way to go: cheaper, better for the environment, easier for new residents, and so on. Saint Paul is no different, and I am thrilled to see you were able to work out a plan with so many benefits for residents.

Please approve the Coordinated Collection plan so we can join the rest of the country in enjoying these benefits.

Sincerely,
Hillary Frazey
2027 Stanford Ave
St Paul, MN 55105

From: Terri Ausen [mailto:ausenfamily@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 12:21 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Subject: I support centralized trash collection - the sooner the better

Thank you for your efforts to centralize trash collection in St. Paul.

I read the recent proposal and support it. This should have been done years ago.

I work at a school on the east side. We constantly have people dump their trash on the school grounds or in our dumpster and then we have to pay to dispose of it. We have had electronics, appliances, tires, mattresses and other trash left on school property. In the alley where I live, we have had

people dump furniture which then the city has to clean up. And just two blocks from my house there is a little travelled street with no houses on it which is a favorite dumping ground for large objects. All citizens of the city have to pay for cleaning this up and the new proposal looks like it may address some of the causes for illegal dumping.

The centralized proposal includes mandatory pickup for every household, thank you.

Thank you for your hard work on this. I know you will mostly get complaints about the proposal. I believe that there are many citizens who will support this but not contact you. Change is not easy for some people, they don't realize that this is a better plan for all.

Sincerely,

Terri Ausen

From: kathylark@comcast.net [mailto:kathylark@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 2:22 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward2; *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council; Hageman, Kris (CI-StPaul)
Subject: coordinated trash collection

Hello,

I'm extremely disappointed that my trash collection service R&M will no longer be able to work for us within the year. They have ALWAYS provided consistent and high quality service. Their prices are reasonable and they are flexible and pleasant to work with and will take most large items.

When I first moved to St. Paul 13 years ago, I had never lived where there were independent trash collectors.

I wasn't sure I would like this. But R&M have been the best trash collection company I had ever dealt with. I've had no complaints with them.

It's too bad this city doesn't seem to allow independent thinking and problem solving. It just seems like you just have to go along with whatever the majority political culture dictates. I never responded to the initial requests for opinions on this matter, because I felt it didn't really matter what I thought. But I'm angry after getting this SHA email. The city doesn't recognize quality small businesses.

I also hope that City Council works more with the police on crime prevention in our neighborhood. The fight

incident on May 9th at Linwood should never had happened. Everyone seems to pretend it never happened.

What is being done to make sure it doesn't happen again? How did this happen in the first place? I hope

you are truly supportive of the police doing their job to help keep our neighborhood safe. If not, many of us high paying tax payers may choose to live elsewhere.

Kathy Larkins
880 Fairmount Ave.

From: figment@gmail.com [mailto:figment@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Beth Scudder
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 4:26 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Subject: All in trash

Hi!

As a St. Paul resident (and homeowner, for what it's worth) I am very excited about and in favor of the idea of a unified city trash service/coordinated collection. I'd be okay with paying slightly more to minimize the traffic (I'm also a mom of two small kids) and reduce the wear and tear on alleys etc.

Thank you!

Beth Scudder
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612-840-7361

-----Original Message-----

From: Sarah West [mailto:wests@macalester.edu]
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 5:47 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Cc: #CI-StPaul_Ward2
Subject: Coordinated garbage collection

Dear Saint Paul City Council:

Today I read with great happiness that the city has reached an agreement for coordinated garbage collection with the group of garbage collectors. It is so exciting that the city has made this move toward coordination, which will reduce noise, pollution, and alley and street wear and tear. It's about time. A great move. Our current system is highly inefficient--finally we'll have a system that makes sense. Thank you so much.

Sarah West
Ward 2 resident

Sent from phone: Typos almost inevitable

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From: Michael Huehn [mailto:michael-huehn@bethel.edu]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 9:19 AM
To: *CI-StPaul_Contact-Council
Subject: Opt out

Dear Saint Paul City Council,

I am writing this email to urge you to discontinue your pursuit to micro-manage residents' lives. If you want to make sure refuse is taken care of, there are other ways of doing so. Please do not restrict my freedom of association by requiring me to do business with a refuse provider I may or may not approve of.

I am an adult and can choose the best service for the best price on my own. The savings proposed will never happen and at most people will see fewer trucks on the road. As a father of 4 children, I see this reduction in truck traffic as a trivial benefit (as in there will be no tangible increase in safety).

I would like the ability to opt out of any forced trash collection agreement you may come up with.

Mike Huehn

Saint Paul, MN 55119