



# Residential Waste Hauling Contract

Discussion of Service and Upcoming RFP  
City Council  
August 19, 2025

# Timeline for RFP and New Contract



July 16, 2025

EQC Discussion  
on  
Waste/Recycling  
Services

September 9,  
2025 Council  
Public Hearing on  
Hauling Services

November 18,  
2025 Council  
Approves New  
2026-2030  
Contract

August 19, 2025  
City Council  
discussion on  
Waste/Recycling  
Services

September –  
October Issue RFP





# Review of Existing Services



- Weekly Garbage Service
- Bi-Weekly Recycling Services
- Option in Contract to exercise City-Wide Collection of Organics
  - Currently clause not exercised in contract for City-Wide
  - Northfield Curbside Compost separately operates an organic collection services for residents to sign up.

## Cart sizes available

Northfield residents have a choice for the size of the cart that best suit their disposal needs.

Cart options	20 gallon	35 gallon	64 gallon	96 gallon
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Width	19"	19"	24"	26"
Depth	22.7"	23.75"	27"	34.5"
Height	32.5"	37.5"	41.5"	46"
Service available	Garbage	Garbage	Garbage, recycling	Garbage, recycling, yard waste



## Cart Sizes

# Review of Existing Services



- Christmas Tree Pickup (First Two Mondays in January)
- Voluntary Yard Waste Collection (Mid-April to November)
- Bundles Brush Pickup (Fee based – \$3 per bundle)
  - 4 ft long and 3 ft in diameter
- Yard Waste Bag Pickup (~\$3 per tag)

# Review of Existing Services



- **White Goods, Electronic, appliances,**
  - Pickup (Charged per item), prices are also the same for Spring Cleanup Days

# Review of Existing Services



- **Outreach and Education (Add-Ons)**
  - Treeward program
    - 1 Tree donation for 70 Tons of Recycling
  - Haulers for Scholars – \$500 Environmental Award to business, individual.
  - DSICyclebank – Share a portion of reimbursement from residential recycling reimbursements.
  - DSI – Youth Activities – Drop-off and roll-off where 100% of the proceeds go to local youth Organizations.

## Strategy 5: Reduce solid waste through diversion, recycling, and reuse

Northfield will be a zero-waste community.

### Guiding values



### Outcomes

1. Northfield has robust policies and procedures in place to reduce the quantity of solid waste that is sent to the Rice County landfills.
2. All organic materials are diverted from the waste stream through a community-wide curbside compost collection system available to all property owners and renters.

### Actions

1. Decrease total per capita municipal solid waste handled 30% by 2030.
2. Achieve 70% organics landfill waste diversion by 2030.
3. Increase diversion of potential recoverables by 15% by 2030.
4. Increase recycling from 32% to 35% of total municipal solid waste handled by 2030.
5. Consider establishing a "deconstruction" program for municipal demolition projects.
6. Conduct a citywide study to identify large contributors of solid waste and develop a plan to address waste reduction.
7. Explore a municipal/citywide organics collection program.
8. Work with county and other partners to establish reuse and recycling of building materials.
9. Offer grants, loans, other financial incentives to support business development that reduces solid waste generation and/or in the building sector.
10. Actively recruit complementary businesses, especially industrial users, that effectively use/reuse waste products from existing businesses.
11. Explore low- and zero-waste provisions in sustainable building policies.



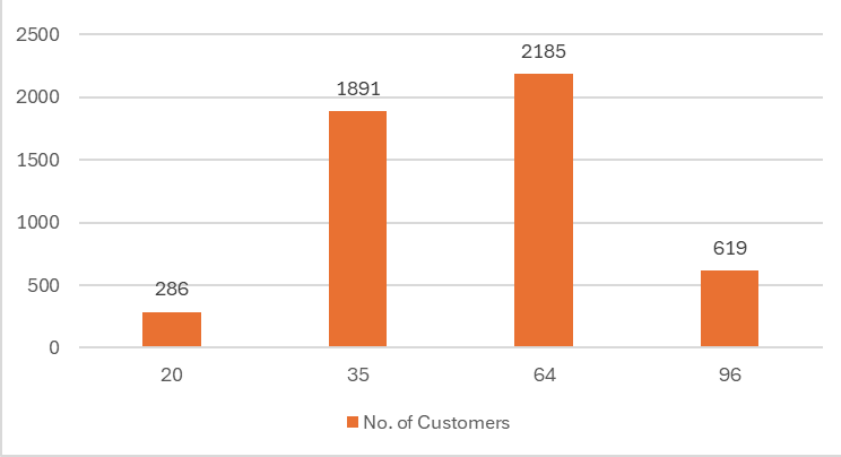
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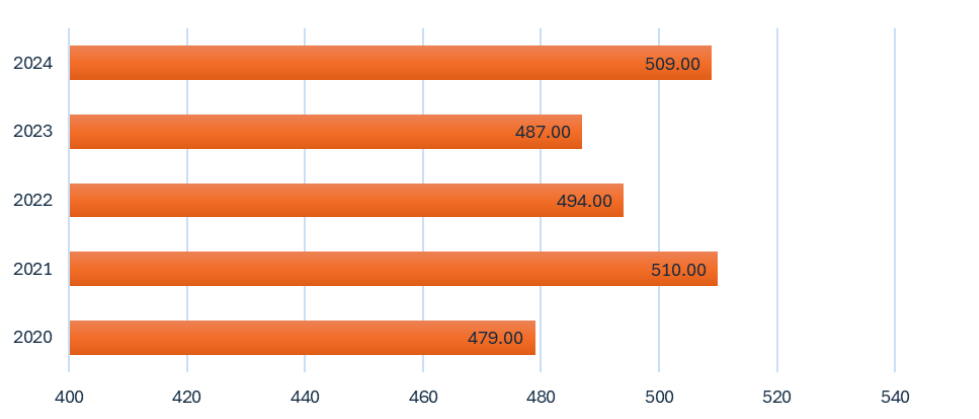


Rough  
Estimate  
lbs per  
capita

No. of Customers & Cart Size



Solid Waste Generation Per Capita (Pounds)



Note: 2.5 People per household (4,981 Garbage Accounts in 2025)

# Environmental Quality Commission Input



- Generally supportive of the service offering provided in contract
- In support of clause in contract to roll-out City-Wide Organic, but leave as is now with voluntary offering through Northfield Curbside Compost.
- Spring Cleanup – Two Saturdays in May can other vendors be present (recycle/reuse) to divert waste from landfill

# Housing and Redevelopment Authority



- City Wide Spring Cleanup – Can one of the cleanup days on Saturday can be moved near Greenvale Elementary
- HRA exploring cost supporting grant and partnership with HCI

# Housing and Redevelopment Authority



- HRA 4-year pilot cleanup (Viking Terrace & Florellas)

Year	Tns of Trash	Mattresses	Tires w/rims	Tons of Tires	*Total Cost
2018	11.57	29	5	1.67	\$5,859.12
2019	9.61	60	16	.5	\$8,614.54
2020	14.32	59	70	1.9	\$10,302.92
2021	9.63	40	13	.88	\$8,540.06

\*This cost is only the financial cost to the HRA, this doesn't include staff time to organize, or the volunteers needed to successfully carry this event out.

# Policy Feedback



1. Continue with bi-weekly recycling? (Residents can request larger cart 96 gal)
2. Spring Cleanup – Try to locate a north drop-off site for one of the Saturdays in May (such as NCEC)
3. Spring Cleanup – Work with reuse vendors at spring cleanup
4. Yard Waste – Continue with voluntary sign up (yard waste is collect weekly mid-April to November)

# Policy Feedback



5. City wide Organics Collection? Leave clause with pricing for the city to initiate city-wide organics. Residents can voluntarily sign up with Northfield Curbside Compost?

# Discussion

## Waste Hauling Services Contract