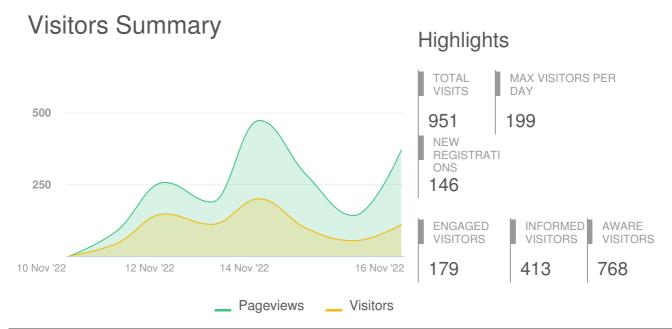
Project Report

22 February 2022 - 17 November 2022

City of Columbia, MO

Review of Solid Waste residential curbside collections





Aware Participants	768	Engaged Participants		179	
Aware Actions Performed	Participants	Engaged Actions Performed	Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Visited a Project or Tool Page	768				,
Informed Participants	413	Contributed on Forums	0	0	0
Informed Actions Performed	Participants	Participated in Surveys	82	0	0
Viewed a video	0	Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0
Viewed a photo	0	Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0
Downloaded a document	0	Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0
Visited the Key Dates page	0	Contributed to Stories	0	0	0
Visited an FAQ list Page	0	Asked Questions	6	6	0
Visited Instagram Page	0	Placed Pins on Places	0	0	0
Visited Multiple Project Pages	218	Contributed to Ideas	112	0	0
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	179				

ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY



Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors			
	Engagement roomame	1001 Glatus	VISILOIS	Registered	Unverified	Anonymous	
Qanda	Questions	Published	59	6	6	0	
Survey Tool	Do you want the City of Columbia to continue providing an	Published	215	82	0	0	
Ideas	Comments	Published	223	112	0	0	

Questions

Visitors 59 Contributors 12 CONTRIBUTIONS 12



Sharon Miller

11 November 22

Are we able to use our garbage cans at the curb as of Jan 2nd as well or still to leave the bags curb side for pick up? I am in hopes that we can start using our outdoor receptacles curbside whole awaiting roll cart approval. Thank you for I istening to the citizens of Columbia



Publicly Answered

If the proposed change is adopted, customers will place any style of trash bag at the street on their appropriate collect ion day. We would no longer be requiring City logoed bags. All trash must be in a bag and weigh less than 50 pounds. Customers will not be able to use garbage cans as part of the proposed change.



Grif

11 November 22

If we buy bags, would the solid waste utility charge be reduced since charge now includes bags provided?



Publicly Answered

The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole. As the Cit y evaluates changes to collections, the necessary utility rate will also be evaluated.

Questions



Ann

11 November 22

Would our monthly cost go down since we would not be paying for city provided trash bags?



Publicly Answered

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koehnerp

11 November 22

First, I believe the cost of bags is included in our monthly refuse collection fee. Will this savings be passed on to us? Or will the city just keep it and make believe they don't owe us? Second, will we still receive recycling bags? Will this have any effect on the recycling program?



Publicly Answered

The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole. As the Cit y evaluates changes to collections, the necessary utility rate will also be evaluated. The City will continue to provide v ouchers for blue recycling bags. The recycling program will continue to operate as it currently does.



Javne

11 November 22

Will there be a reduction in waste collection if residents purchase their own trash bags?



Publicly Answered

It is undetermined at this time if there would be a reduction in waste from the proposed change.

Questions



David Clithero

1 November 22

Good afternoon. Does the proposed ordinance apply to recycle bags as well? If so, what type of bag will be required f or cans, bottles and plastics? Thank you.



Publicly Answered

There are no proposed changes to the recycling bag program. The City will continue to provide recycling bag voucher s and blue bags for the recycling program.



JA

11 November 22

We are being buried in high prices, looking at 14 year high natural gas prices & you charge a lot of money for cheap b ags! We have to pay school lunches, water, light & try to buy food. As a homeless population grows with crime, how a re we to be safe in a town that does not care for those who does not receive any aid? Potholes tearing up our cars, pr operty tax increases & for what? High crime?



Publicly Answered

As part of the proposed change to trash collections, the City would no longer require the use of City logoed trash bags. The City will, however, continue to provide vouchers for City provided trash bags until the remaining supply of bags is exhausted. The vouchers could still be redeemed at the local participating stores and City Hall.

Questions



Cory

12 November 22

1. Will this affect the curbside recycling program in any way? 2. It's been my understanding that making folks pay to th row more things away has incentivized them to recycle more. Other municipalities issue a set of stickers that people t ag their bags with. This lets them use their bag of choice while still encouraging them to recycle or compost some of t heir waste by limiting the number of tags provided (more can be purchased, I assume). Has the sticker-system been c onsidered? 3. Will people be able to put their bags in carts or bins? 4. The current system seems to work pretty well in our neighborhood. A better education effort probably needs to be made with new renters, but neighbors learn event ually. Are there areas of town where this system has failed spectacularly? 5. Would the bulky-items policy still be the same? 6. What are some concerns that City staff has about implementation? Like, folks putting out 10 small bags instead of two standard bags, or people using the thinnest possible bags, which increase trash spillage. 7. Will the solid-waste fees change at all? This is effectively a rate increase if the fee doesn't change. Thanks!:)



Publicly Answered

There are no proposed changes to the recycling system at this point. The City opted against a sticker program based on the potential ease of counterfeit stickers. All trash must be in a bag and weigh less than 50 pounds. Customers will not be able to use garbage cans or bins as part of the proposed change. The program has been consistent in its effectiveness across the City. No noticeable difference in collections exists from one area to another. There are no proposed changes to the bulky-item policy. The Solid Waste Utility could see an increase in volume in the spring and fall based on leaves, yard cleanup, landscaping, or spring cleaning. Outside of those times, the service remains fairly consistent regardless of logoed bags or the Utility's experience with the requirement to put items into a bag regardless of logo. The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole. As the City evaluates changes to collections, the necessary utility rate will also be evaluated.



Gorollover

2 November 22

Will our garbage collection bill be lower since bags are not supplied?



Publicly Answered

The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole. As the City evaluates changes to collections, the necessary utility rate will also be evaluated.

Questions



MS

14 November 22

Why not let residents chose what size roll cart they want and then charge accordingly? This is what they do in many o ther cities in the US and it seems fair. Don't short change a new program before it even gets off the ground. Those who generate less trash shouldn't pay the same as a large family who generates more trash. Fair is fair.



Publicly Answered

The proposed change does not consider the implementation of a roll cart system. At this point, the City is only considering changes to the requirement to use City logoed trash bags.



dotmathews

17 November 22

How is this proposal related to the introduction of Roll Carts? I am in favor of replacing the bags with Roll Carts so is t his action preparatory to that implementation?



Publicly Answered

The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole.

Questions



Laurenpringle

17 November 22

Are items recycled curbside actually recycled? Or do they just end up in the trash? I used to live in the pacific northwe st with a very robust recycling, incentivized trash, and curbside industrial composting system that was way simpler an d more effective. However, they could not find buyers for this like plastic clamshells that CoMo accepts. 1. What is ha ppening to the plastic recyclables? If there are no buyers then should we be recycling if that should go inthe trash? Se ems like that is an area to look into for cost savings. I am pro recycling but anti wasting money/ effort if it ends up in a landfill anyway. 2. Please stop increasing the use of single use plastics. I bet that using blue recycling bags and recycl ing things that aren't actually very recyclable is worse for environment than just putting in trash. Please phase out city trash bags- increases volume of wasteful single use plastics. Reduce and reuse make a bigger impact than recycle. 3. Why aren't we discussing roll carts yet? I have lived thru the transition to roll carts in Baltimore, md (more poverty and logistical issues than Columbia) and they were widely successful.



Publicly Answered

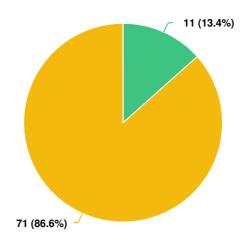
There are no proposed changes to the recycling bag program. The City will continue to provide recycling bag voucher s and blue bags for the recycling program. The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluating trash collections as a whole.

ENGAGEMENT TOOL: SURVEY TOOL

Do you want the City of Columbia to continue providing and requiring the use of logo trash bags?



Do you want the City of Columbia to continue providing and requiring the use of logo trash bags?



Question options

YesNo

Mandatory Question (82 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

Visitors 223		Contributors 112	CONTRIBUTIONS 445
11 November 22 morath05		No more logo bags	
	VOTES 7	Such a waste of plastic. Nix the logo bags a ption to use own to deter animals from rippi	and please give us rollcarts! Or at least the oing into bags. Thank you!
11 November 22 Tworrell1992		No more logo bags please	ļ!
	votes 4	I am low on income and have a descent siz out of bags and have to purchase rolls of lo	
11 November 22 Jenoet		Rollcarts	
	votes 12	Please, give us rollcarts!	
11 November 22 pernwish		I would prefer rolling cans.	•
	VOTES 11	health issues and keeps ray money as well.	acoons out of it. Saves cit
11 November 22 jparsh		Roll carts - yes; Logo bags	s - no
	VOTES 10	Roll carts should be implemented as soon a city logo bags.	as possible and we should do away with the

11 November 22		
Matthewarthur		The city bags have been a poor solution to a nonexi
	VOTES	stent problem. Return to using privately purchased b
	4	ags and absolutely avoid roll carts.
		·
		No city bags, no rollcarts
11 November 22		
dcf		Rollcarts
	VOTES	I've lived many places and, without a doubt, Columbia's has one of the worst trash syst ems I've seen. In my experience, rolling trash bins / carts work much better than the cu
	8	rrent approach.
11 November 22		
dbdaggit		Rollcarts
	VOTES	
	11	
11 November 22		
khuddlestonsmith		Go back to how things were in 2020
	VOTES	Remove the requirement to use your bags. Start picking up trash that isn't bagged again like you used to. It's ridiculous to put a box of cat litter inside a bag that it's just going t
		o tear through. GIVE US ROLLCARTS
11 November 22		
sdkovo		The logo bags are a wasteful and expensive idea th
		at should go away. I put my trash bags in another tr
	VOTES 1	
	10	ash bag, silly. Rollcarts please!!
		Logo bags: NO, Roll carts: YES
11 November 22		
4106fgd		Roll carts
<u> </u>		
	VOTES	Roll carts, please. Seriously, the bags are trashy. ;-)
	8	
11 November 22		
jenncooper24		No more logo bags
	VOTES	It's deeply inconvenient to have to go to a specific retailer to obtain the special city bags
	2	. I find I throw away more when using logo bags vs. using a regular 13 gallon kitchen tr
		ash bag. The city bags are not quality (they leak). Animals bust into the bags leaving st reets messy. I'd prefer roll carts and recycle bins for all recyclable materials, but for so
		me reason we like to die on this weird hill. I'll settle on not using logo bags.

11 November 22		
BruceM		Rollcarts Please
	VOTES	I support eliminating Logo bags but rollcarts would be a much better long term solution.
	10	
11 November 22		
mo_maddog		No logo bags and no roll carts
	VOTES	The logo bags are too expensive, especially for lower income families. No roll carts. W
	2	e already voted them down once. I live in 2 areas with roll carts and they sucked. They smelled bad, rolled away in high winds and trash blew all over the place.
11 November 22		
SteveBaumann		I support the end of taxpayer supplied bags, all of th
	VOTES	em. Yes to roll carts, they work. End the recycling pr
	2	ogram as well (?)
11 November 22		
itbitbnet		Please return to taxpayer provided bags. As I read t
,,		his recommendation more than \$3M have been spe
	VOTES	·
	2	nt providing logo bags.
		Taxpayer supplied bags, please.
11 November 22		
wright.matt.a		Yes to rollcarts, no to city logo bags!
	VOTES	Big yes to the removal of the city logo bag requirement! Please use some of the saving s to implement an assistance program for low income folks who may need help buying
	7	bags. Also big yes to rollcarts in the very near future! I definitely support the default use of the smallest rollcart size (around 30 gallons, I believe) rather than the middle one th
		at was mentioned in the council work session (60 gallons?). At least for the central city
		and other smaller/denser neighborhoods, the smaller the cart the better. Also the small est cart is more in line with the current 2 bag maximum, and I still support encouraging
		people to reduce their waste. People can request a larger cart if they need it, but the de fault should be the smallest size. Thank you for finally fixing this ridiculousness so we can talk about something other than trash!
11 November 22		
ruthie		When the city demanded using logo bags near the s
	VOTES	tart of the pandemic I was struck by the callousness

Comments



11 November 22 Ikester

10

Use roll carts-green for trash, blue for recyclables.

I've lived many places that use green roll carts large enough to easily hold a week's wo rth of garbage and blue roll carts large enough to store recyclables for two weeks befor e pick up. In some towns, the recyclables are picked up weekly and they use slightly s maller roll carts. It encourages less plastic to go into the landfill as often trash just goes directly into the roll cart. Right now we use plastic bags stuffed not another plastic bag. .not cool! Let's get rid of these logo bags! I fully recognize that you will also have to inve st in modifications to the trucks so that they can hook onto the carts and dump. Perhap s this will save money on labor, too???! If you want an example, Prescott, AZ, uses roll carts as I've described and would be happy to share their experiences, I'm sure.

thejollyrev votes

Yes, let's get rid proprietary bags and better yet, get roll carts for trash and recycling. Yard waste could b e either a roll cart or bags.

11 November 22 sfletcher VOTES

Bins/rolling carts, PLEASE!

I'm disabled, and carrying those trash bags to the curb is extremely difficult and painful, to the point where I have to have the other members of my household do the trash. Roll ing carts are so much easier. Not to mention using plastic bags like this is extremely w asteful, especially in regards to the fact that the recyling is half the size of the trash and done half as frequently (Wouldn't you want more recycling, not less?). For the sake of my pain levels, please use bins/rolling carts.

11 November 22 robertcheek VOTES

Roll Carts!!!

I have resided in Columbia for over 50 years and amazed at the twisted thinking of our citizens and our city government when it comes solid waste disposal. Finally, after thirt y years of mismanagement of the solid waste department a major break through has o ccurred— we now are responsible for purchasing our own trash bags. Since it appears that we the citizens and the city government are on a literal enlightened roll, maybe we can skip the next thirty years and move to roll carts like the rest of the world including J efferson City. Who is kidding who when it comes to trash collection? How safe is it for c ity workers and residents to handle trash bags? Has the city disclosed the injuries solid waste workers experienced over the last ten years? Additionally, what happens to the b ags when animals including rats get into the trash bags? Has anyone heard of the bub onic plague? Time has finally come to get with the program and modernize our solid w aste system, embrace modern technology and move to roll cart collection.

Please utilize roll carts. the logo bags are too restrict ive to families with children.
Either roll carts or let us just use regular trash bags. I get that there is a burden on the workers, I truly do. But my neighborhood is being flooded by other residents trash who dont even live in our area.
Is there an audit of our waste & recyclables stream t
o identify materials to target for reduction in the first place? Look to Calif SB54.
Reduce, reuse and recycle, in that order.
Bags are easier than roll carts especially in bad wea
ther for this 82 yr old. Problem of storing roll carts, I oading and to & from curb.
MARKET CA TALANY II MARKET DOG
We've lived in GA, TN, NY, IL, Washington DC & ne
ver seen such an uproar about trash. Just pick it up! yard waste too. Carts are better
Just pick it up!
Get rid of the bags and implement roll carts!!
Roll carts would be a more sustainable option.
7
The city logo bags are too expensive. Let us use re
gular trash bags like the rest of the world. And, conv
ert to rolling bins ASAP.
Time to join the 21st Century!!!
I'm all for whatever makes this job easier for the em
ployees who do this awful job. Let them decide.

Comments



Get rid of the city logo bags. They are expensive to purchase but made very cheaply, and frequently tea r when we are trying to tie them.

11 November 22 1h9t9b2 VOTES 4

"Logo" bags are wasteful, expensive and inconvenie nt.

The logo bag system is greatly flawed. These bags create MORE waste (harmful to our environment) when residents could throw their trash away in other eco-friendly bags. We know residents sometimes use two trash bags (one non-city-approved bag, wrapp ed in a city-approved bag), which is again, wasteful, and expensive. To replace the log o bags is expensive after vouchers have been used. We've always had a difficult time r eplacing our logo bags, and we don't have to do that but twice a year. I imagine those who create more waste have a more challenging time. This is inconvenient when we c an simply go to the store and purchase a bag of our choosing. This plan was falsely pro posed to "reduce waste" and help save money for residents who can't afford more tras h bags. I would be shocked to learn if the logo bag plan actually made good on these e mpty promises. I have never understood why our city doesn't have a roll cart system. I come from a very small town with very few resources that had a roll cart system. This would be a convenient way to handle waste - and it would be safer for our city waste m anagement workers. If nothing else, please get rid of the logo bags and let residents ha ndle waste management as they and their pocketbooks see fit, so our city can focus on more important, pressing issues. This has gone on too long.



Let's Ditch the Logo bags and Roll with the Roll Cart s

I was able to buy a better quality bag for less and meet my families needs. I didn't have to worry about the bag breaking, or the grocery store running out of bags. Also it does k eep the animals out of it and it much easier to get to the curb.

11 November 22 dvines1990 Votes 9

CoMo needs to move to the 21st Century

End logo bags implement roll carts quickly as possible

11 November 22
AshleyRyan

VOTES

No City Logo Bags and YES to Roll Carts & Recycle Bins

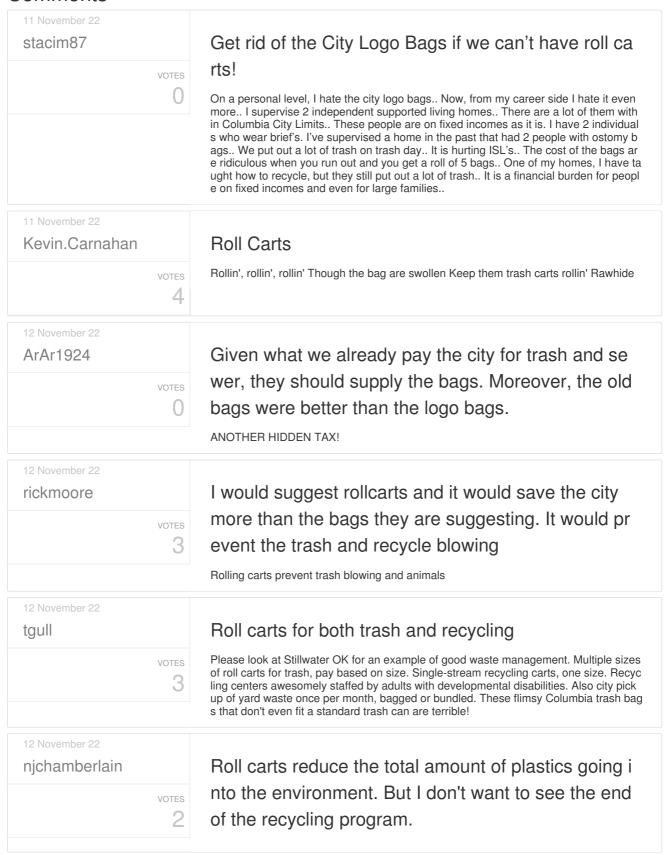
I've seen several people comment that they have physical limitations that make it diffic ult or impossible to maneuver a roll cart and thus they prefer the bags. A simple solutio n: let's leave that as an option. Any one that is unable to use a roll cart can have the op tion to continue using just bags (not city logo ones of course, get rid of those). For ever yone else, please make roll carts an option! They are reusable/sustainable, efficient, ke ep animals out, less mess, etc. And while we're having this discussion, the city recycle bags go to the landfill. How can anyone that supports recycling and reducing waste sup port this? The recycling program NEEDS to switch to recycling bins and no wasteful ba gs that go to the landfill.

11 November 22		
HMorgan		Roll carts
	VOTES	No logo bags Yes roll carts Roll carts for trash Roll carts for recycling Pick up yard wast
	7	e and composting too
11 November 22		
Crojo78		Stop Using Logo Bags & Allow Pay-as-you-Throw w
	VOTES	ith different size roll carts
	5	The city doesn't need to supply trash bags at all. Residents can supply their own trash
		bags and the city saves money. The city can issue a small trash bin to each household. If they want a Medium or Large, they can pay for the difference, allowing the city to cha rge a household who throws away more, to be charged more. I'm a larger household a nd fully support "buying up" to a larger size roll cart for our home.
11 November 22		
feibishn		Please end the use of these terrible logo bags. I sup
	VOTES	port the use of Roll Carts.
	5	The bags are terribly made with thin plastic and awful pull ties that usually break. I would welcome roll carts. If that's not in the card and we MUST use pay-per-throw, then se
		nd stickers that can be placed on the top of the bags of my choice. Still, I really think the roll carts are the better option. My mother is in her late-80's in ATL and she doesn't stru ggle to pull out her carts. If people really think they will not be able to move the carts, h ave them submit a form and then one of the trash collectors can roll it to the truck, then roll it back after it is empty (so long as the carts are stored in a reasonably accessible place in the front or side of the house). But really, wouldn't many of them also have trou ble negotiating carrying bags? That being said, I accept that I don't know all situations. The logo bags, however, are just terrible.
11 November 22		
justacitizen		I'm fine with bags w/ or w/o logos. Just quit changin
	VOTES	g it & arguing. I'm not sold on Rollcarts. Expensive u
	3	pfront and take up a lot of space
11 November 22		
rusty30		I'm okay with bags without Columbia Logo.
	VOTES	
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11 November 22		
Laura Mueller		I prefer to supply my own bags. Thanks for asking ©
	VOTES	

11 November 22		
dhawxby		Time to implement roll carts and automated truck pic
	VOTES	kupsboth Trash and recycling containers!!! Ridicul
	7	ous that Columbia is so backwards!
11 November 22		
JH Porter		Roll carts are the more hygienic solution (anti-critter)
	VOTES 8	but let's support their purchase for lower income folk
	O	s, with vouchers or discounts
		Help lower-income folks get roll carts
11 November 22		
aka7c4		NO MORE LOGO BAGS
	VOTES	And for the love of nature, please let us dispose of yard waste in bags that will actually degrade.
11 November 22		
dj		Allow Customer choice on bags. No Roll Carts! Mor
	VOTES	e trouble than they are worth for the customer plus t
	3	he smell!
		No logo bags & NO Roll Carts!
11 November 22		
mcdermitm		Roll carts please!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
	votes 4	I just moved here from Columbus Ohio, where we used the carts and it is much easier than trying to fit everything into cheap bags. I have had to make more trips to the landfil I for things that would have fit into a cart.
11 November 22		
kt		Carts are better - easier for the pick up. But some of
	votes 2	us don't need the huge carts - smaller is fine.
11 November 22		
kt		Logo bags are annoying when you run out. Then yo
	VOTES	u have to find some place that has them in stock.
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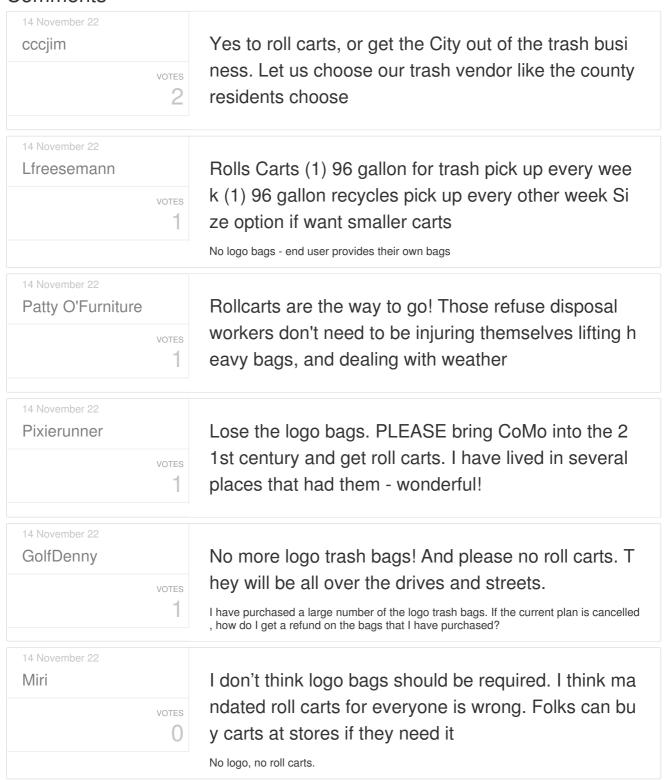
11 November 22 kt	VOTES	We also need more recycling opportunities that are actually recycling, not just separating.
11 November 22 Connib52	votes 0	I am okay with getting my own bags. Will they reduce the cost as it will reduce city cost? Rollcarts are ok ay if each residence has o o
11 November 22 Edie	votes 0	Get rid of the Logo Bags, they are simply not worth i t and are cheaply made. I'm not a fan of Roll Carts. Come on folks, let's wrap this up.
11 November 22 Connib52	votes 0	I think roll carts are okay only if each residence has one. I have limited mobility and could not walk to a neighborhood trash bin. It . S
11 November 22 B-rad	votes 4	I lived in Jefferson City that used roll carts. They wer e awesome. Keeps cats from tearing the bags and s cattering trash. The carts work!
11 November 22 Taylor@home	votes 0	Don't raise our monthly fees I don't care what you do, just don't raise our monthly fees.
11 November 22 Dean	VOTES 3	Obvious solution. Ditch labeled bags and add roll carts! The vast majority of the city wants them. Let's make it happen.

11 November 22		
ccheav		I'm completely neutral regarding the logo bags vs us
	VOTES	ing whatever bag we have on hand. All bags create
	4	problems, and the solu is ROLL CARTS.
		Skip to the part where we implement roll carts.
11 November 22		
Tlynne74		Please let us use our own bags.
	VOTES	Please let us use our own bags. It is hard for me to find the required bags. They rip, fall apart and do not properly close all the way. I am fine with a limit of 2 and each bag wei
	0	ghing less than 50 pounds. I do not mind going to roll carts, if necessary as I feel that is what the city was wanting to do in the first place. This was a waste of time and money.
11 November 22		
kb0ykg		Roll away Trash Cans
	VOTES	Just moving to Columbia, MO and see all the trash bags is very unpleasurable thing to see. I animals get into the trash bags. Columbia needs to move to roll away carts like e
	3	very other city.
11 November 22		
Lfreesemann		Please remove the required use of City logo'd bags.
	VOTES	Roll carts are more sustainable. 2 carts trash every
	1	week, recycles every other week
11 November 22		
GRed		I support swapping logo bags for roll carts. Can we
	VOTES	have an opt-in system? Those wanting r/cs, get the
	3	m. Those who don't, use own bags?
11 November 22		
Hallpat		Let's just go back to buying our own bags. Do not ra
	VOTES	ise price, please.
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11 November 22		
Jess1990		Absolutely drop the requirement for City bags. It is a
	VOTES	n unnecessary administrative burden for the City. I s
	5	trongly support rollcarts.
		Drop the bag requirement, but also get rollcarts



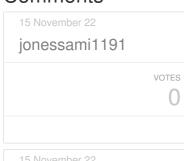
12 November 22		
Cory		The City should raze an Airbnb on each block and p
	VOTES	ut a 'hood dumpster there for refuse. Just walk over
	0	an' dump yr trash. Bags optional. :)
		The best idea, y'all!
12 November 22		
IreneJ		Best to let residents use their own disposal bags. No
	VOTES	roll carts, please. Not everyone has a place to store
	3	them; they may become an eyesore
		No roll carts
13 November 22		
CG2012		Trash bags
	VOTES	Please get rid of the black logo bags. They are expensive and you don't get many at a t
	0	ime. I would rather buy my own trash bags that are affordable and last longer. I do not t hink the roll carts are justifiable. Just let people use any trash bag that pleases them.
13 November 22		
Dannicr		Use toll carts!!
	VOTES	
	0	
13 November 22		
Nelsonj68		Roll Carts! Your logo bags are thin and tear.
	VOTES	
	2	
13 November 22		
swhite		Roll carts with rules that all trash MUST be in carts.
	VOTES	Trash around the carts on the ground will NOT be pi
	2	cked up.

13 November 22		
ashoberry		City Logo Bags are not necessary
	VOTES	I support getting rid of the city provided trash bags and the city logo bags. It is too diffic ult to find trash bags, as only certain stores sell the city logo bags. There have been su pply chain issues in the past, especially during the holidays. It is unsanitary for a family to be unable to purchase and buy extra trash bags. Getting rid of city provided trash bags gives families the ability to buy any trash bag (and a bag that is stronger/won't rip). I also support roll carts for sanitary reasons among many other reasons.
13 November 22		
Jctheway		Roll carts could also be used for curbside recycling,
	votes	also. Another cost saver.
14 November 22		
jaymcintosh		Logo bags are a bad plan that has been poorly exec
	votes	uted. Roll carts are more practical and cleaner.
14 November 22		
jjh5351		Implement roll carts for safety and sustainability
	votes 2	Roll carts are safer for our solid waste workers and also could entice new workers to joi n the solid waste workforce. They also require fewer workers. Roll carts are also more sustainable. I am currently using kitchen trash bags inside the black logo bags.
14 November 22		
jjh5351		Roll carts are easier for those with mobility issues
	VOTES	Have an assistance program with elderly, mobility restricted, and other people in the c ommunity that are hesitant against roll carts. I think they will find that roll carts are safer and easier than the bags.
11 November 22		
Miz Jen		ROLL CARTS!!!
	votes	PLEASE go to roll carts. I am so very tired of the trash blowing around from opened ba gs. The bags we are given are so thin they tear easily. If I need to add something to the bag it is very hard to get back open. We should have gone to roll carts a long time ago, but my former councilman, Karl Skala, was very ineffective and didn't vote for roll carts.



14 November 22	
marhuck	Roll carts! If you make us use our own bags, lower
VOTES	our cost. You take things away, like recycling to ever
2	y other week, and we pay the same!
	Roll carts!!!!!
14 November 22	
Fourth Ward Mike	Why are we still talking about trash collection at this
VOTES	point?
0	Springfield was using carts when I moved from there to Columbia 22 years agoand it s in the Ozarks. Most rational cities do. It is cost-effective, safer for employees who coll
	ect trash, more environmentally friendly (we double bag because they Columbia bags don't fit our trash can), and prevents animals from tearing into trash bags. Why this is e ven a voting issue is completely beyond me. If our managers cannot make rational dec isions, we need new managers.
14 November 22	
Joanna	I do not like the logo trash bags. They are inconveni
VOTES	ent and poor quality.
0	Because of the poor quality, I still use regular trash bags in my home and then put it int o a city logo bag on trash days. Please allow everyone to just use regular bags again. Or roll carts are fine too. Thanks!
14 November 22	
Akmace	Roll carts for trash and recycling.
VOTES	
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15 November 22	
DeeDee	Please get the roll carts! If you stop supplying bags t
VOTES	hen you need to add some type of trash pick up.
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15 November 22	
wchjfh79	Have no problems with the bags. Must use a cane t
VOTES	o walk so pushing a cart up and down my steep driv
0	e is something I can't do.
	Have fought the ugly carts for all these years. Hate going to a city where carts are blow n over and always at the curb or in the street. Live on a cul-de-sac and garbage truck c annot even turn in it, so new trucks could not pick up next to curb.
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15 November 22	
15 November 22 Md	Roll carts, please!

Comments



Please bring back roll carts for both waste and recyc ling. They are better at protecting the environment a nd people with disabilities.

City needs to stop providing useless bags, and switch to roll carts.



Transition to roll carts ASAP!

The logo bag thing needs to just end. Period, along with providing bags. Use the savin gs to transition to roll carts, which is 1980's level trash collection technology. As someo ne who lived in a city that transitioned to roll carts in the 1980's, I can guarantee you rol I carts are much easier for people with limited physical abilities to get their trash out to the curb versus the present bag system.



Lived in city with roll carts. Often people had more then 1 cart of trash so bags were still being picked u p by hand. More sanitary process



If you stop providing bags, stop charging for them.

I don't have a strong opinion on City bags vs buying my own - but if I am no longer bein g provided with "free" bags included with my utility bill, and have to buy my own, then my utility bill should go down.



No roll carts. Bags are best option.

Agree current bag quality can be poor. Go with personally bought bags and have sticke rs that can be placed on bags - 2 per household/week. Extra stickers can be bought for those with more trash. Not a one size fits every household approach. A one or two per son household should not pay the same as a larger household with potentially more tra sh. Continue with recycling options - blue bags or bins



I'd prefer roll carts. They are much easier to use, bet ter for sanitation workers and more convenient than a bag system.

17 November 22 ScottW		Two small white trash bags inside one black trash b
COOLLAA	VOTES	ag How does this reduce waste? And the vouchers
	0	expire??? Very frustrating
		No More Bags!!
17 November 22		
FPdesign		Issue trash cans that are compatible with robotic ar m equipped trash trucks. Bags are an extremely ine ficient method of trash collection.
	VOTES	
17 November 22		
FPdesign		City issued /standardized rolling trash cans like the r
	VOTES	est of world. Bags are wasteful and contribute to mo
	0	re pollution.
17 November 22		
Glenda		Keep the logo trash bags. The streets are finally cle
	VOTES	an and easier for the workers. I do not want the roll carts.
17 November 22		
jg5087		Roll carts.
	VOTES 1	Move to roll carts and stop providing bags all together (wastefully and stupid). With the money saved from not providing bags, worker comp and few employees needed, give the customer a break by reducing their service cost.
17 November 22		
Trryfrst		I don't think citizens of Columbia understand roll cart
	VOTES	s, me included. A better understanding of what they
	0	are and how it works is needed
17 November 22		
Trryfrst		Use of city bags causes more waste. I use two 13 g
	VOTES	al bags in kitchen and put them in a city bag for pick
	0	up. We don't need more plastic waste

17 November 22	
Contact Center	Barbara Schuette
	onger providing bags as they have in the past. I feel the wording of this provision is car efully worded to mislead residents. Thus the results will be invalid."
17 November 22	
Betty Dickneite	I recommend that you go back to the bags we had b
	efore, which were much stronger bags and I would
	O prefer the city continue providing them.
	Recommend the City Council come up with options for trash & put it to a vote of the tax paying citizens that pay for these services & let the majority determine the outcome. Th at is what democracy is all about.
17 November 22	
Brian Griffith	No to roll carts. Eyesore.
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17 November 22	
WB	Please eliminate the requirement to use city logo ba
	gs and allow us to use our own bags. Please transiti
	on to a roll cart system.
17 November 22	
Shane Johnson	Wages and Carts
	Sanitation workers deserve a living wage, full benefits, and retirement. Get rid of these
	bags. Buying plastic to recycle plastic is the dumbest idea I've seen. Get roll carts for g arbage and recycling so that we can join the rest of the modern cities in the midwest. Al
	so, tax the rich and the industrial polluters to pay for it.
17 November 22	
Stephensaj	Please let us use our own trash bags. The logo one
	s are so cheaply made they rip and don't tie well. So
	0 metimes they don't even open right.
17 November 22	
Oliver Sherwin	Rollcarts. Big for bigger households, and small for s
	maller. The latter easier to load for citizens with stre
	ongth or mobility issues.

