

Project Report

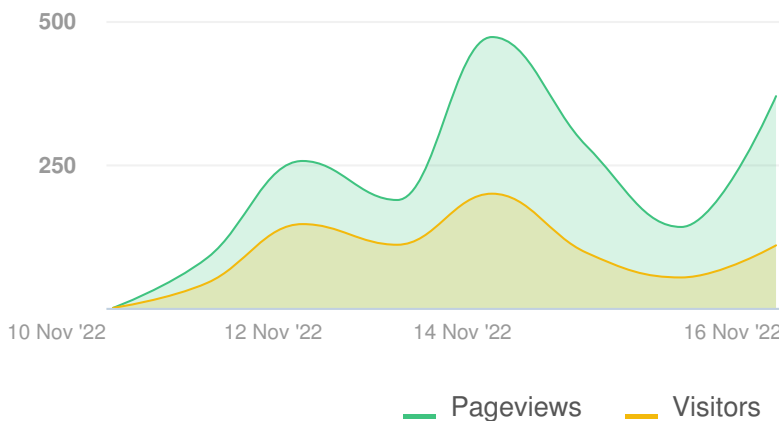
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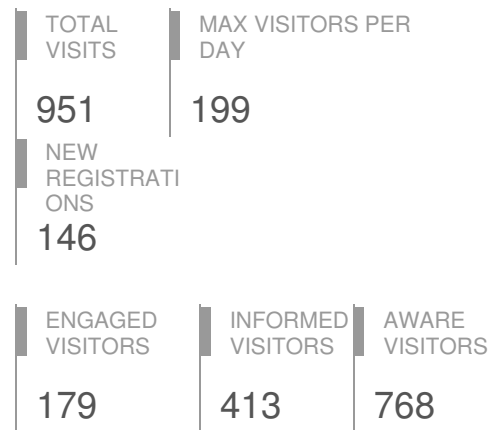
Review of Solid Waste residential curbside collections



Visitors Summary

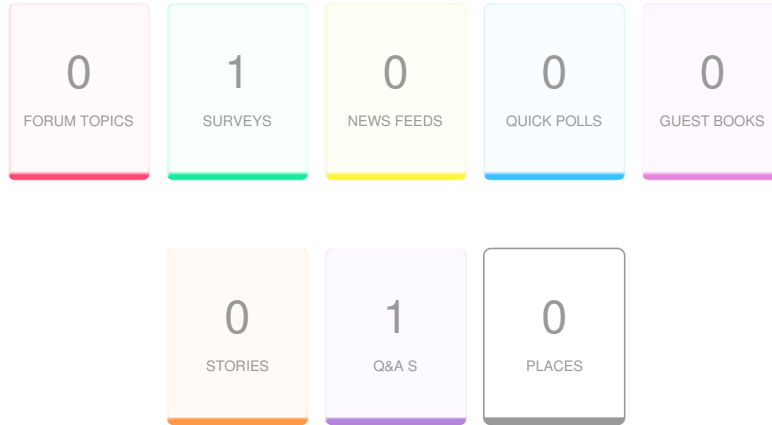


Highlights



Aware Participants		Engaged Participants			
768		179			
Aware Actions Performed	Participants	Engaged Actions Performed			
Visited a Project or Tool Page	768	Registered	Unverified	Anonymous	
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		
				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

QANDA

Questions

Visitors 59	Contributors 12	CONTRIBUTIONS 12
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Q

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 listening to the citizens of Columbia

A

Publicly Answered

If the proposed change is adopted, customers will place any style of trash bag at the street on their appropriate collection 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.

Q

Grif

11 November 22

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

A

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.

QANDA

Questions

Q

Ann

11 November 22

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

A

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.

Q

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?

A

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. The City will continue to provide vouchers for blue recycling bags. The recycling program will continue to operate as it currently does.

Q

Jayne

11 November 22

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

A

Publicly Answered

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

QANDA

Questions

Q

David Clithero

11 November 22

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

A

Publicly Answered

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

Q

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 bags! We have to pay school lunches, water, light & try to buy food. As a homeless population grows with crime, how are we to be safe in a town that does not care for those who does not receive any aid? Potholes tearing up our cars, property tax increases & for what? High crime?

A

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.

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Questions

Q

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 throw more things away has incentivized them to recycle more. Other municipalities issue a set of stickers that people tag their bags with. This lets them use their bag of choice while still encouraging them to recycle or compost some of their waste by limiting the number of tags provided (more can be purchased, I assume). Has the sticker-system been considered? 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 eventually. 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! :)

A

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.

Q

Gorollover

12 November 22

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

A

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.

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Questions

Q

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 wh o generate less trash shouldn't pay the same as a large family who generates more trash. Fair is fair.

A

Publicly Answered

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

Q

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?

A

Publicly Answered

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

QANDA

Questions

Q

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.

A

Publicly Answered

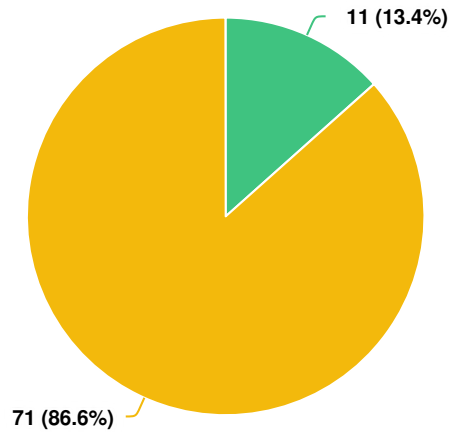
There are no proposed changes to the recycling bag program. The City will continue to provide recycling bag voucher s and blue bags for the recycling program. The proposed changes to the trash bag program are a first step in evaluati ng trash collections as a whole.

ENGAGEMENT TOOL: SURVEY TOOL

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

Visitors 215	Contributors 82	CONTRIBUTIONS 82
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Do you want the City of Columbia to continue providing and requiring the use of logo trash bags?



Question options

- Yes
- No

Mandatory Question (82 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

IDEAS

Comments

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 and please give us rollcars! Or at least the option to use own to deter animals from ripping into bags. Thank you!	
11 November 22	Tworrell1992			No more logo bags please!	
		VOTES	4	I am low on income and have a descent sized family and even with recycling I still run out of bags and have to purchase rolls of logo bags and it's too expensive	
11 November 22	Jenoet			Rollcars	
		VOTES	12	Please, give us rollcars!	
11 November 22	pernwish			I would prefer rolling cans. It's easier for me with my health issues and keeps racoons out of it. Saves city money as well.	
		VOTES	11		
11 November 22	jparsh			Roll carts - yes; Logo bags - no	
		VOTES	10	Roll carts should be implemented as soon as possible and we should do away with the city logo bags.	

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 Matthearthur</p>	<p>The city bags have been a poor solution to a non-existent problem. Return to using privately purchased bags and absolutely avoid roll carts.</p> <p>No city bags, no rollcarts</p>
<p>VOTES 4</p>	
<p>11 November 22 dcf</p>	<p>Rollcarts</p> <p>I've lived many places and, without a doubt, Columbia's has one of the worst trash systems I've seen. In my experience, rolling trash bins / carts work much better than the current approach.</p>
<p>VOTES 8</p>	
<p>11 November 22 dbdaggit</p>	<p>Rollcarts</p>
<p>VOTES 11</p>	
<p>11 November 22 khuddlestone</p>	<p>Go back to how things were in 2020</p> <p>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 to tear through. GIVE US ROLLCARTS</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 sdkovo</p>	<p>The logo bags are a wasteful and expensive idea that should go away. I put my trash bags in another trash bag, silly. Rollcarts please!!</p> <p>Logo bags: NO, Roll carts: YES</p>
<p>VOTES 10</p>	
<p>11 November 22 4106fgd</p>	<p>Roll carts</p> <p>Roll carts, please. Seriously, the bags are trashy. ;-)</p>
<p>VOTES 8</p>	
<p>11 November 22 jenncooper24</p>	<p>No more logo bags</p> <p>It's deeply inconvenient to have to go to a specific retailer to obtain the special city bags. I find I throw away more when using logo bags vs. using a regular 13 gallon kitchen trash bag. The city bags are not quality (they leak). Animals bust into the bags leaving streets messy. I'd prefer roll carts and recycle bins for all recyclable materials, but for some reason we like to die on this weird hill. I'll settle on not using logo bags.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 BruceM</p>	<h4>Rollcarts Please</h4>
<p>VOTES 10</p>	<p>I support eliminating Logo bags but rollcarts would be a much better long term solution.</p>
<p>11 November 22 mo_maddog</p>	<h4>No logo bags and no roll carts</h4>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	<p>The logo bags are too expensive, especially for lower income families. No roll carts. We 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.</p>
<p>11 November 22 SteveBaumann</p>	<h4>I support the end of taxpayer supplied bags, all of them. Yes to roll carts, they work. End the recycling program as well (?)</h4>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>11 November 22 jtbjtbnet</p>	<h4>Please return to taxpayer provided bags. As I read this recommendation more than \$3M have been spent providing logo bags.</h4>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	<p>Taxpayer supplied bags, please.</p>
<p>11 November 22 wright.matt.a</p>	<h4>Yes to rollcarts, no to city logo bags!</h4>
<p>VOTES 7</p>	<p>Big yes to the removal of the city logo bag requirement! Please use some of the savings to implement an assistance program for low income folks who may need help buying 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 that 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 smallest 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 default should be the smallest size. Thank you for finally fixing this ridiculousness so we can talk about something other than trash!</p>
<p>11 November 22 ruthie</p>	<h4>When the city demanded using logo bags near the start of the pandemic I was struck by the callousness to waste. Many had non-logo bags.</h4>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	

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<p>11 November 22 ruthie</p> <p>VOTES 4</p>	<p>Roll carts are overkill.</p>
<p>11 November 22 lkester</p> <p>VOTES 10</p>	<p>Use roll carts-green for trash, blue for recyclables.</p> <p>I've lived many places that use green roll carts large enough to easily hold a week's worth of garbage and blue roll carts large enough to store recyclables for two weeks before pick up. In some towns, the recyclables are picked up weekly and they use slightly smaller 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 invest in modifications to the trucks so that they can hook onto the carts and dump. Perhaps 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.</p>
<p>11 November 22 thejollyrev</p> <p>VOTES 5</p>	<p>Yes, let's get rid proprietary bags and better yet, get roll carts for trash and recycling. Yard waste could be either a roll cart or bags.</p>
<p>11 November 22 sfletcher</p> <p>VOTES 6</p>	<p>Bins/rolling carts, PLEASE!</p> <p>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. Rolling carts are so much easier. Not to mention using plastic bags like this is extremely wasteful, especially in regards to the fact that the recycling 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.</p>
<p>11 November 22 robertcheek</p> <p>VOTES 6</p>	<p>Roll Carts!!!</p> <p>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 thirty years of mismanagement of the solid waste department a major breakthrough has occurred— 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 Jefferson City. Who is kidding who when it comes to trash collection? How safe is it for city 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 bags when animals including rats get into the trash bags? Has anyone heard of the bubonic plague? Time has finally come to get with the program and modernize our solid waste system, embrace modern technology and move to roll cart collection.</p>

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<p>11 November 22 TiredSince1991</p>	<p>Please utilize roll carts. the logo bags are too restrictive to families with children.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>VOTES 8</p>	
<p>11 November 22 KeithPolitte</p>	<p>Is there an audit of our waste & recyclables stream to identify materials to target for reduction in the first place? Look to Calif SB54.</p> <p>Reduce, reuse and recycle, in that order.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Erma</p>	<p>Bags are easier than roll carts especially in bad weather for this 82 yr old. Problem of storing roll carts, loading and to & from curb.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>11 November 22 dclarse</p>	<p>We've lived in GA, TN, NY, IL, Washington DC & never seen such an uproar about trash. Just pick it up! yard waste too. Carts are better</p> <p>Just pick it up!</p>
<p>VOTES 6</p>	
<p>11 November 22 AmyVandergriff</p>	<p>Get rid of the bags and implement roll carts!!</p> <p>Roll carts would be a more sustainable option.</p>
<p>VOTES 7</p>	
<p>11 November 22 johnwaller</p>	<p>The city logo bags are too expensive. Let us use regular trash bags like the rest of the world. And, convert to rolling bins ASAP.</p> <p>Time to join the 21st Century!!!</p>
<p>VOTES 7</p>	
<p>11 November 22 aka68</p>	<p>I'm all for whatever makes this job easier for the employees who do this awful job. Let them decide.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 Ruthann1952</p> <p>VOTES 3</p>	<p>Get rid of the city logo bags. They are expensive to purchase but made very cheaply, and frequently tear when we are trying to tie them.</p>
<p>11 November 22 1h9t9b2</p> <p>VOTES 4</p>	<p>"Logo" bags are wasteful, expensive and inconvenient.</p> <p>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, wrapped in a city-approved bag), which is again, wasteful, and expensive. To replace the logo bags is expensive after vouchers have been used. We've always had a difficult time replacing 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 can simply go to the store and purchase a bag of our choosing. This plan was falsely proposed to "reduce waste" and help save money for residents who can't afford more trash bags. I would be shocked to learn if the logo bag plan actually made good on these empty 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 management workers. If nothing else, please get rid of the logo bags and let residents handle 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.</p>
<p>11 November 22 Lesheets</p> <p>VOTES 9</p>	<p>Let's Ditch the Logo bags and Roll with the Roll Carts</p> <p>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 keep the animals out of it and it much easier to get to the curb.</p>
<p>11 November 22 dvines1990</p> <p>VOTES 9</p>	<p>CoMo needs to move to the 21st Century</p> <p>End logo bags implement roll carts quickly as possible</p>
<p>11 November 22 AshleyRyan</p> <p>VOTES 8</p>	<p>No City Logo Bags and YES to Roll Carts & Recycle Bins</p> <p>I've seen several people comment that they have physical limitations that make it difficult or impossible to maneuver a roll cart and thus they prefer the bags. A simple solution: let's leave that as an option. Any one that is unable to use a roll cart can have the option to continue using just bags (not city logo ones of course, get rid of those). For everyone else, please make roll carts an option! They are reusable/sustainable, efficient, keep 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 support this? The recycling program NEEDS to switch to recycling bins and no wasteful bags that go to the landfill.</p>

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Comments

<p>11 November 22</p> <p>HMorgan</p>	<p>Roll carts</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>7</p>	<p>No logo bags Yes roll carts Roll carts for trash Roll carts for recycling Pick up yard waste and composting too</p>
<p>11 November 22</p> <p>Crojo78</p>	<p>Stop Using Logo Bags & Allow Pay-as-you-Throw with different size roll carts</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>5</p>	<p>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 charge a household who throws away more, to be charged more. I'm a larger household and fully support "buying up" to a larger size roll cart for our home.</p>
<p>11 November 22</p> <p>feibishn</p>	<p>Please end the use of these terrible logo bags. I support the use of Roll Carts.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>5</p>	<p>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 send 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 struggle to pull out her carts. If people really think they will not be able to move the carts, have 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 trouble negotiating carrying bags? That being said, I accept that I don't know all situations. The logo bags, however, are just terrible.</p>
<p>11 November 22</p> <p>justacitizen</p>	<p>I'm fine with bags w/ or w/o logos. Just quit changing it & arguing. I'm not sold on Rollcarts. Expensive upfront and take up a lot of space</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>3</p>	
<p>11 November 22</p> <p>rusty30</p>	<p>I'm okay with bags without Columbia Logo.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>11 November 22</p> <p>Laura Mueller</p>	<p>I prefer to supply my own bags. Thanks for asking 😊</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>1</p>	

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 dhawxby</p>	<p>Time to implement roll carts and automated truck pickups....both Trash and recycling containers!!! Ridiculous that Columbia is so backwards!</p>
<p>VOTES 7</p>	
<p>11 November 22 JH Porter</p>	<p>Roll carts are the more hygienic solution (anti-critter) but let's support their purchase for lower income folks, with vouchers or discounts</p> <p>Help lower-income folks get roll carts</p>
<p>VOTES 8</p>	
<p>11 November 22 aka7c4</p>	<p>NO MORE LOGO BAGS</p> <p>And for the love of nature, please let us dispose of yard waste in bags that will actually degrade.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 dj</p>	<p>Allow Customer choice on bags. No Roll Carts! More trouble than they are worth for the customer plus the smell!</p> <p>No logo bags & NO Roll Carts!</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>11 November 22 mcdermitm</p>	<p>Roll carts please!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>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 landfill for things that would have fit into a cart.</p>
<p>VOTES 4</p>	
<p>11 November 22 kt</p>	<p>Carts are better - easier for the pick up. But some of us don't need the huge carts - smaller is fine.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>11 November 22 kt</p>	<p>Logo bags are annoying when you run out. Then you have to find some place that has them in stock.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 kt</p>	<p>We also need more recycling opportunities that are actually recycling, not just separating.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Connib52</p>	<p>I am okay with getting my own bags. Will they reduce the cost as it will reduce city cost? Rollcarts are okay if each residence has one</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Edie</p>	<p>Get rid of the Logo Bags, they are simply not worth it and are cheaply made. I'm not a fan of Roll Carts. Come on folks, let's wrap this up.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Connib52</p>	<p>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 is</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 B-rad</p>	<p>I lived in Jefferson City that used roll carts. They were awesome. Keeps cats from tearing the bags and scattering trash. The carts work!</p>
<p>VOTES 4</p>	
<p></p>	<p>The carts are a good place to store trash outside of the house!!</p>
<p>11 November 22 Taylor@home</p>	<p>Don't raise our monthly fees</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>I don't care what you do, just don't raise our monthly fees.</p>
<p>11 November 22 Dean</p>	<p>Obvious solution. Ditch labeled bags and add roll carts!</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	<p>The vast majority of the city wants them. Let's make it happen.</p>

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Comments

<p>11 November 22 ccheav</p>	<p>I'm completely neutral regarding the logo bags vs using whatever bag we have on hand. All bags create problems, and the solution is ROLL CARTS.</p> <p>Skip to the part where we implement roll carts.</p>
<p>VOTES 4</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Tlynn74</p>	<p>Please let us use our own bags.</p> <p>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 weighing 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.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 kb0ykg</p>	<p>Roll away Trash Cans</p> <p>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 every other city.</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Lfreesemann</p>	<p>Please remove the required use of City logo'd bags. Roll carts are more sustainable. 2 carts trash every week, recycles every other week</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 GRed</p>	<p>I support swapping logo bags for roll carts. Can we have an opt-in system? Those wanting r/cs, get them. Those who don't, use own bags?</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Hallpat</p>	<p>Let's just go back to buying our own bags. Do not raise price, please.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Jess1990</p>	<p>Absolutely drop the requirement for City bags. It is an unnecessary administrative burden for the City. I strongly support rollcarts.</p> <p>Drop the bag requirement, but also get rollcarts</p>
<p>VOTES 5</p>	

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<p>11 November 22 stacim87</p>	<p>Get rid of the City Logo Bags if we can't have roll carts!</p> <p>On a personal level, I hate the city logo bags.. Now, from my career side I hate it even more.. I supervise 2 independent supported living homes.. There are a lot of them with in Columbia City Limits.. These people are on fixed incomes as it is. I have 2 individuals who wear brief's. I've supervised a home in the past that had 2 people with ostomy bags.. We put out a lot of trash on trash day.. It is hurting ISL's.. The cost of the bags are ridiculous when you run out and you get a roll of 5 bags.. One of my homes, I have taught how to recycle, but they still put out a lot of trash.. It is a financial burden for people on fixed incomes and even for large families..</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Kevin.Carnahan</p>	<p>Roll Carts</p> <p>Rollin', rollin', rollin' Though the bag are swollen Keep them trash carts rollin' Rawhide</p>
<p>VOTES 4</p>	
<p>12 November 22 ArAr1924</p>	<p>Given what we already pay the city for trash and sewer, they should supply the bags. Moreover, the old bags were better than the logo bags.</p> <p>ANOTHER HIDDEN TAX!</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>12 November 22 rickmoore</p>	<p>I would suggest rollcarts and it would save the city more than the bags they are suggesting. It would prevent the trash and recycle blowing</p> <p>Rolling carts prevent trash blowing and animals</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>12 November 22 tgull</p>	<p>Roll carts for both trash and recycling</p> <p>Please look at Stillwater OK for an example of good waste management. Multiple sizes of roll carts for trash, pay based on size. Single-stream recycling carts, one size. Recycling centers awesomely staffed by adults with developmental disabilities. Also city pick up of yard waste once per month, bagged or bundled. These flimsy Columbia trash bags that don't even fit a standard trash can are terrible!</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>12 November 22 njchamberlain</p>	<p>Roll carts reduce the total amount of plastics going into the environment. But I don't want to see the end of the recycling program.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	

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

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<p>13 November 22 ashoberry</p>	<p>City Logo Bags are not necessary</p> <p>I support getting rid of the city provided trash bags and the city logo bags. It is too difficult to find trash bags, as only certain stores sell the city logo bags. There have been supply 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.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>13 November 22 Jcttheway</p>	<p>Roll carts could also be used for curbside recycling, also. Another cost saver.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>14 November 22 jaymcintosh</p>	<p>Logo bags are a bad plan that has been poorly executed. Roll carts are more practical and cleaner.</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>14 November 22 jjh5351</p>	<p>Implement roll carts for safety and sustainability</p> <p>Roll carts are safer for our solid waste workers and also could entice new workers to join 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.</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>14 November 22 jjh5351</p>	<p>Roll carts are easier for those with mobility issues</p> <p>Have an assistance program with elderly, mobility restricted, and other people in the community that are hesitant against roll carts. I think they will find that roll carts are safer and easier than the bags.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>11 November 22 Miz Jen</p>	<p>ROLL CARTS!!!</p> <p>PLEASE go to roll carts. I am so very tired of the trash blowing around from opened bags. 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.</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	

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<p>14 November 22 cccjim</p>	<p>Yes to roll carts, or get the City out of the trash business. Let us choose our trash vendor like the county residents choose</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>14 November 22 Lfreeseemann</p>	<p>Rolls Carts (1) 96 gallon for trash pick up every week (1) 96 gallon recycles pick up every other week Size option if want smaller carts</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	<p>No logo bags - end user provides their own bags</p>
<p>14 November 22 Patty O'Furniture</p>	<p>Rollcarts are the way to go! Those refuse disposal workers don't need to be injuring themselves lifting heavy bags, and dealing with weather</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>14 November 22 Pixierunner</p>	<p>Lose the logo bags. PLEASE bring CoMo into the 21st century and get roll carts. I have lived in several places that had them - wonderful!</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	
<p>14 November 22 GolfDenny</p>	<p>No more logo trash bags! And please no roll carts. They will be all over the drives and streets.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	<p>I have purchased a large number of the logo trash bags. If the current plan is cancelled, how do I get a refund on the bags that I have purchased?</p>
<p>14 November 22 Miri</p>	<p>I don't think logo bags should be required. I think mandated roll carts for everyone is wrong. Folks can buy carts at stores if they need it</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>No logo, no roll carts.</p>

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<p>14 November 22 marhuck</p>	<p>Roll carts! If you make us use our own bags, lower our cost. You take things away, like recycling to every other week, and we pay the same!</p> <p>Roll carts!!!!</p>
<p>VOTES 2</p>	
<p>14 November 22 Fourth Ward Mike</p>	<p>Why are we still talking about trash collection at this point?</p> <p>Springfield was using carts when I moved from there to Columbia 22 years ago--and it is in the Ozarks. Most rational cities do. It is cost-effective, safer for employees who collect 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 even a voting issue is completely beyond me. If our managers cannot make rational decisions, we need new managers.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>14 November 22 Joanna</p>	<p>I do not like the logo trash bags. They are inconvenient and poor quality.</p> <p>Because of the poor quality, I still use regular trash bags in my home and then put it into a city logo bag on trash days. Please allow everyone to just use regular bags again. Or roll carts are fine too. Thanks!</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>14 November 22 Akmace</p>	<p>Roll carts for trash and recycling.</p>
<p>VOTES 3</p>	
<p>15 November 22 DeeDee</p>	<p>Please get the roll carts! If you stop supplying bags then you need to add some type of trash pick up.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>15 November 22 wchjfh79</p>	<p>Have no problems with the bags. Must use a cane to walk so pushing a cart up and down my steep drive is something I can't do.</p> <p>Have fought the ugly carts for all these years. Hate going to a city where carts are blown over and always at the curb or in the street. Live on a cul-de-sac and garbage truck cannot even turn in it, so new trucks could not pick up next to curb.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>15 November 22 Md</p>	<p>Roll carts, please!</p> <p>Get rid of the bags altogether and let's get roll carts like every modern city in America.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	

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<p>15 November 22 jonessami1191</p>	<p>Please bring back roll carts for both waste and recycling. They are better at protecting the environment and people with disabilities.</p> <p>City needs to stop providing useless bags, and switch to roll carts.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>15 November 22 davemartin1848</p>	<p>Transition to roll carts ASAP!</p> <p>The logo bag thing needs to just end. Period, along with providing bags. Use the savings to transition to roll carts, which is 1980's level trash collection technology. As someone who lived in a city that transitioned to roll carts in the 1980's, I can guarantee you roll carts are much easier for people with limited physical abilities to get their trash out to the curb versus the present bag system.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>16 November 22 DORIS J OHARA</p>	<p>Lived in city with roll carts. Often people had more than 1 cart of trash so bags were still being picked up by hand. More sanitary process</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>16 November 22 SarahTheCoder</p>	<p>If you stop providing bags, stop charging for them.</p> <p>I don't have a strong opinion on City bags vs buying my own - but if I am no longer being provided with "free" bags included with my utility bill, and have to buy my own, then my utility bill should go down.</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>16 November 22 PSH</p>	<p>No roll carts. Bags are best option.</p> <p>Agree current bag quality can be poor. Go with personally bought bags and have stickers 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 person household should not pay the same as a larger household with potentially more trash. Continue with recycling options - blue bags or bins</p>
<p>VOTES 0</p>	
<p>17 November 22 swatts54</p>	<p>I'd prefer roll carts. They are much easier to use, better for sanitation workers and more convenient than a bag system.</p>
<p>VOTES 1</p>	

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<p>17 November 22 ScottW</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>Two small white trash bags inside one black trash bag. How does this reduce waste? And the vouchers expire??? Very frustrating...</p>
	<p>No More Bags!!</p>
<p>17 November 22 FPdesign</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>Issue trash cans that are compatible with robotic arm equipped trash trucks. Bags are an extremely inefficient method of trash collection.</p>
<p>17 November 22 FPdesign</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>City issued /standardized rolling trash cans like the rest of world. Bags are wasteful and contribute to more pollution.</p>
<p>17 November 22 Glenda</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>Keep the logo trash bags. The streets are finally clean and easier for the workers. I do not want the roll carts.</p>
<p>17 November 22 jg5087</p>	
<p>VOTES 1</p>	<p>Roll carts. 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.</p>
<p>17 November 22 Trryfrst</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>I don't think citizens of Columbia understand roll carts, me included. A better understanding of what they are and how it works is needed</p>
<p>17 November 22 Trryfrst</p>	
<p>VOTES 0</p>	<p>Use of city bags causes more waste. I use two 13 gal bags in kitchen and put them in a city bag for pick up. We don't need more plastic waste</p>

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<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Contact Center</p>	<p>Barbara Schuette</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	<p>"I would vote to no longer require the use of LOGO bags but not agree with the City no longer providing bags as they have in the past. I feel the wording of this provision is carefully worded to mislead residents. Thus the results will be invalid."</p>
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Betty Dickneite</p>	<p>I recommend that you go back to the bags we had before , which were much stronger bags and I would prefer the city continue providing them.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	<p>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. That is what democracy is all about.</p>
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Brian Griffith</p>	<p>No to roll carts. Eyesore.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>WB</p>	<p>Please eliminate the requirement to use city logo bags and allow us to use our own bags. Please transition to a roll cart system.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Shane Johnson</p>	<p>Wages and Carts</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	<p>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 garbage and recycling so that we can join the rest of the modern cities in the midwest. Also, tax the rich and the industrial polluters to pay for it.</p>
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Stephensaj</p>	<p>Please let us use our own trash bags. The logo ones are so cheaply made they rip and don't tie well. So sometimes they don't even open right.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>17 November 22</p> <p>Oliver Sherwin</p>	<p>Rollcarts. Big for bigger households, and small for smaller. The latter easier to load for citizens with strength or mobility issues.</p>
<p>VOTES</p> <p>0</p>	

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17 November 22 questioningcitizen	Roll carts please. They cut down on plastic waste in stead of increasing it.
VOTES 0	