



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Law

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 21, 2022

Re: Initiative Petition to Repeal the Prohibition on the Use of Residential Refuse and Automated Refuse Collection Vehicles for Roll Carts

Executive Summary

On March 9, 2022 the City Clerk certified the petition submitted by Rachel Proffitt contained a sufficient number of valid signatures of registered voters (certification attached) for an initiative under the City Charter. In response to the initiative petition, two (2) separate ordinances have been prepared for Council consideration: one would amend Chapter 22 of the City to repeal the prohibition on the use of residential roll carts and automated refuse collection vehicles for roll carts, and the other would submit the ordinance to the voters for consideration.

Discussion

The initiative ordinance would repeal the prohibition on the use of residential roll carts and automated refuse collection vehicles for roll carts.

Under Section 132 of the City Charter, within thirty (30) days after certification of an initiative petition, the Council must either pass an ordinance in the exact form proposed by the initiative petition or submit the ordinance (without alteration) to the voters at the next election provided for by state law "available for municipal election purposes." Because the City Clerk certified the petition as sufficient on March 9, 2022, the Council must act on or before April 8th. Introduction and First Reading of the bills will occur on March 21, 2022 with the bills subsequently placed on Old Business for the April 4th Council meeting.

Two (2) bills have been prepared for Council consideration: one would enact an ordinance repealing Sections 22-159(f), 22-159(g), 22-159.1(d) and 22-159.1(e) prohibiting the use of residential roll carts and automated refuse collection vehicle for roll carts, and the other would place the initiative ordinance on the next election available for municipal election purposes, which is August 2, 2022.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Unknown.

Long-Term Impact: Unknown.



Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
11/02/2015	B313-15: The City Council defeated the ordinance to amend Chapter 22 to prohibit roll carts for residential refuse and recycling collection and prohibit the purchase or modification of refuse collection vehicles designed for automated residential refuse and recycling roll cart pick up.
11/02/2015	B314-15 (Ordinance No. 022639): The City Council passed an ordinance calling for a special election to consider an initiative petition requiring the existing residential refuse and recycling collection and rate systems be maintained, prohibiting roll carts for residential refuse and recycling collection, and prohibiting the purchase or modification of refuse collection vehicles designed for automated residential roll cart pick-up

Suggested Council Action

The Council should either pass the ordinance to repeal the prohibition on the use of roll carts for residential and recycling collection or the ordinance to submit such to the voters for consideration at the municipal election on August 2, 2022.