

Solid Waste Regulations

Under City Code Chapter 26 of the City of Ann Arbor

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REGULATION ADDITIONS TO CHAPTER 26. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Section numbers correspond to City Code Chapter 26 sections.

“R” indicates Regulations.

R2:1 Definitions

(1) Words that have been defined in City Code Chapter 26 have the same meaning in the Solid Waste Regulations.

~~(2)~~ (1) **“Bundle”** means a collection of tree limbs, up to 4 feet in length, 18 inches in diameter and weighing up to 50 pounds, secured with string. If there is an operating agreement for the City’s compost facility in effect and it has a differing definition of “bundle,” then that definition shall prevail over this definition. ~~For the purposes of these regulations, “bundle” means a collection of tree limbs, up to 4 feet in length, 18 inches in diameter and weighing up to 50 pounds, secured with string.~~

~~(2)~~ **“Commercial Customer”** means a location that receives Solid Waste collection services and is primarily used for commercial purposes, including selling goods or providing services for money. Commercial Customer includes mixed-use (Commercial and Residential) locations.

~~For the purposes of these regulations, “commercial solid waste service rates and charges” and “guiding principles in rate setting” refer to the methodology used to establish and calculate the rates and charges for commercial solid waste service and the resulting schedule of rates and charges.~~

~~(3)~~ **“Curbside Customer”** means a Commercial Customer or Residential Customer that receives all or a portion of its Solid Waste collection services from individually assigned and/or shared Curbsides.

~~(3)~~ (4) **“Customer”** means a Commercial Customer, Curbside Customer, Dumpster Customer, or a Residential Customer. ~~Customer includes~~

~~(4)~~ For the purposes of these regulations, a **“computer”** means the major components of a programmable electronic machine consisting of a monitor and Central Processing Unit (CPU). Computer peripherals include such items as a keyboard, mouse and cables. Additional components include printers, scanners and exterior drives.

~~(5)~~ For the purposes of these regulations, a **“CRT”** or Cathode Ray Tube means a

~~vacuum tube or picture tube used to convert an electrical signal into a visual image.~~

- (5) **“Dumpster –Customer”** means a Commercial Customer or Residential Customer that receives all or a portion of its Solid Waste collection services from individually assigned and/or shared Dumpsters.
- (6) **“Electronic Waste”** means any unwanted electronic device or cathode ray tube (CRT). Typical Electronic Waste includes but is not limited to televisions (CRT, LCD, OLED, plasma, etc.), computers/laptops and their peripheral devices, monitors, printers, mobile phones, radios and other appliances. ~~For the purposes of these regulations, a “monitor” means the major components of an electronic visual display unit consisting of a Cathode Ray Tube (CRT), Liquid Crystal Display (LCD), plasma screen or other viewing device typically used in a computer or television.~~
- (7) **“Food Scrap”** refers to uneaten food and food preparation wastes from residences and commercial establishments (such as grocery stores, restaurants, and produce stands), institutional sources (such as school cafeterias), and industrial sources (employee lunchrooms), and excludes food processing waste from agricultural and industrial operations.
- (8) **“Proof of Residency”** means any evidence that establishes or verifies an individual’s claim of residence. This evidence is usually an official government document that contains an individual’s legal name and current address. Examples of documents used to prove City of Ann Arbor residency include the following when inclusive of a valid City of Ann Arbor property address: a valid Michigan driver’s license, a valid Michigan ID, a valid Washtenaw County ID, a current City of Ann Arbor voter registration card, a recent City of Ann Arbor property tax receipt, a current utility bill with a residential address, a current unexpired rent or lease agreement, and a notarized declaration of residency by the owner or manager of a rental property.
- (9) **“Recycling Containers”** means a Curbside, Dumpster, or other container provided or approved by the City for the purpose of collecting materials for recycling. Recycling Containers shall be used for the containment and service of all –acceptable Recyclables allowed under the City’s recycling program. Recycling containers may not be used for any other purpose.
- ~~(7)~~(10) **“Resident”** means a current occupant of a Residential Unit located within the City of Ann Arbor. The term does not include Commercial locations (Non-Residential Locations) and property managers. ~~For the purposes of these regulations, a “non-residential location” means any commercial location that has no floor space dedicated to residential units and any mixed-use commercial location that has less than 10% of its floor space functioning as residential units.~~

(11) **“Residential Customer”** means a location that receives Solid Waste collection services and is a Dwelling as defined by Chapter 105, Section 8:500 of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor and is primarily used for residential purposes. Residential Customer does not include mixed-use (Commercial and Residential) locations.

(12) ~~For the purposes of these regulations, a~~ **“Recycling Compliance Plan and Recycling Compliance Report”** means the annual report and plan submitted by commercial locations seeking to be exempt from use of the City provided recycling service with such filings being submitted on a timely basis, and be administratively complete in the format and with the content specified by the City’s administrative procedures.

~~(8)~~(13) **“Solid Waste Containers”** means containers such as Dumpsters and Curbcarts approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee that are sufficient to hold all Solid Waste generated by a Customer between regular collections. For the collection of organics/compost, paper yard waste bags with a filled weight up to 50 pounds are also permitted in addition to Curbcarts.

(9) ~~For the purposes of these regulations, "resident" means a current occupant of an Ann Arbor home, including individual units of an apartment, condominium, townhouse or cooperative. The term does not include commercial establishments (non-residential locations) and property managers.~~

(10) ~~For the purposes of these regulations, "reuse" means methods or locations that will provide an extended purpose for an item that would otherwise be discarded as solid waste and include such options as resale stores, charitable donations, reuse centers, yard sales, repair shops, manufacturers' product return or "take back" initiatives, etc.~~

(11) ~~For the purposes of these regulations, "television" means the electronic device containing a video display component including a Cathode Ray Tube (CRT), Liquid Crystal Display (LCD), plasma screen or other monitor as well as the cabinet that encases the monitor.~~

(12) ~~For the purposes of these regulations, "vegetative food waste" means vegetables, fruit, grains, and other non-meat and non-dairy food waste.~~

~~For the purposes of these regulations, "recycling containers" include recycling dumpsters (2,4,6, and 8-yard sizes) and recycling curb carts (32, 64, 96, and 300-gallon sizes). These containers should be used for the containment and service of all the accepted recyclable materials taken through the city's recycling program. Recycling container may not be used for any other purpose.~~

R2:2 Collection frequency and fees

(1) ~~Residential curbside refuse, recyclables, and compostables (seasonal) are to be placed at the curb or designated collection site before 7 a.m. on the weekly collection day.~~

(1) ~~The City will~~Refuse and Recyclables are only collected~~refuse and recyclables from city-approved containers~~approved Solid Waste Containers.

(2) Compostables will be collected from ~~city-approved~~ Solid Waste Containers~~compostable curb carts and paper yard waste bags and in b~~Bundles.

(3) ~~Weekly r~~Residential curbside solid waste Curbcart ~~Customers receive once a week Refuse and Recycling collection provided by the City or its contracted hauler. services are provided on a geographic basis. Collection days are assigned on a geographic basis by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee.~~

(4) ~~Residential Curbcart Customer C~~compost collection operates seasonallyweekly~~S~~spring through F~~fall. The operation dates are generally from the first full week~~

of April to November 30th through the last full week of November, unless extended by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. Winter compost collection is generally operated with once-a-month collection in the months of January, February, and March. -Collection of winter compost occurs in Curbcarts only. Bundle and bag collection is not included.

- (5) Yard waste bag collection is limited to 10 bags per set-out except during the fall leaf season (generally occurring early-October until the end of November unless extended by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee), when the limit is 20 bags per set-out. The dates for fall leaf season are posted by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. The seasonal weekly curbside compostable collection program is operated from April 1 through November 30.
- (6) Compost collection is limited to Residential Curbcart Customers located along a public street and other existing Residential Curbcart Customers that receive compost collection through prior pilot programs, but were not discontinued such service. Other Residential Customers may be considered for curbside compost service if approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee.
- (7) Dumpster Customers receive Solid Waste collection for Recyclables on a schedule to be determined by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee.
- (8) All Commercial Dumpster Customers receive Refuse collection through the City's Franchised Hauler. Residential Dumpster Customers receive Refuse collection once per week at the City's expense. Residential Dumpster Customers with more than one Dumpster may have multiple Dumpsters serviced on the same day and time at the City's expense (i.e., no return trips). Additional Dumpster service is at the expense of the Residential Dumpster Customer and is billed by the Franchised Hauler.
- (9) From time to time the City may require an increase in refuse collection frequency and/or Solid Waste Container capacity for Commercial and Residential Customers in the DDA area in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. Any associated service fees for such a required increase shall be covered by the Customer.
- (4)(10) The City may also mandate an increase in Refuse collection frequency for Commercial Customers in the DDA area during a temporary time period for major events, such as the Annual Ann Arbor Art Fair. Any associated service fees for such a required increase shall be covered by the Customer.

All multi-family locations, nonprofits, public elementary and secondary schools, commercial locations within the DDA area and Federal, state, county or city buildings with City approved dumpsters are eligible for weekly refuse and recycling collection-

~~service. All non-residential locations needing dumpsters are required to use the City's designated commercial refuse collection franchise contractor unless an exemption is secured as provided in Chapter 26 of the code. The scheduling of collection is determined by the City based on the service requests submitted by each location.~~

(11) If a Commercial Location Customer has City Refuse collection service,
aApplicable fees for the collection of Refuse shall be charged quarterly in advance based on the average amount of refuse material and the frequency of collection and shall be set by the Ceity Aadministrator, subject to approval by Ceity Council. If the charges are not paid, they may be assessed against the property- pursuant to section 1:292 of Chapter 13 of this Code.

~~Applicable fees for the collection of commercial refuse shall be charged quarterly in advance based on the average amount of refuse material and the frequency of collection and shall be set by the city administrator approval by city council. If the charges are not paid, they may be assessed against the property pursuant to section 1:292 of Chapter 13 of this Code.~~

~~(5) All non-residential locations receiving an exemption as provided in Chapter 26 of the code must use a hauler with a current Hauler License awarded by the City.~~

~~(6) Commercial establishments located on DDA area alleys using curb carts for solid waste storage will receive collection service three times a week for properly contained refuse at no charge.~~

~~(7) All Commercial Locations using the City's designated commercial refuse collection Franchised Hauler shall pay the Franchised Hauler directly for their scheduled services based on the terms of the current franchise agreement and the schedule of commercial solid waste service rates and charges. The City Administrator shall annually prepare a schedule of commercial Solid Waste service rates and charges, following guiding principles for rate setting established in these regulations and submit it to City Council for approval. All locations using the City's designated commercial refuse collection franchise contractor shall pre-pay for their scheduled services based on the schedule of commercial solid waste service rates and charges. The city administrator shall prepare annually and submit to city council for approval a schedule of commercial solid waste service rates and charges, following guiding principles for rate setting established in these regulations.~~

~~(8)~~
~~(9)(12)~~ For ~~all other~~ Residential Customers, ~~locations~~ the City will provide additional emptying of ~~R~~efuse ~~and/or Recyclables dumpsters~~ on a pre-arranged, pre-paid basis after scheduling the service in advance. ~~An additional fee is required.~~

~~(10)(13)~~ Solid waste collectors generally observe the following six holidays each year: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. On these specific holidays the W. R. Wheeler Service Center is closed and there is no solid waste collection. During weeks ~~wherewhen~~ one of these holidays occurs, ~~Ssolid wW~~aste collection for the days on and following the holiday will occur one day later. Exceptions to the standard holiday observation schedule may occur provided these exceptions are publicly communicated through the City's website and other established City communication methods~~publications and local newspapers~~.

~~(11)(14)~~ The rate structure for commercial solid waste service rates and charges shall:

- a. Take into account waste volume and frequency of collection;
- b. Provide an incentive to recycle;
- c. Not present barriers to recycling and waste reduction;
- d. Include cost allocation systems to accommodate/encourage shared dumpster use in the DDA area and at shopping centers outside of the DDA area; where practical
- e. Cover costs for contracted services; and
- f. Include cost recovery for applicable capital infrastructure.

~~(12)(15)~~ As of July 1, 2011, exemption from the City Waste Franchise for refuse collection is no longer available. Exemption from the City Waste Franchise for recycling collection is available if necessary, under certain circumstances. The fees for the collection of commercial solid waste, as approved by City Council under Chapter 26, Section 2:5(4)(iv) and (v), ~~schedule of Commercial Solid Waste Service Rates and Charges~~ shall be applied to all users of the City's franchised hauler with the following exceptions:

~~a. Other governmental units: Federal, State (including the University of Michigan), and County buildings within the City are exempt from complying with the requirement of being serviced by the exclusive solid waste franchisee selected by the City. Governmental units can enter into their own contract for solid waste collection with the City's exclusive franchisee. Governmental units can also choose to join the City's Commercial Solid Waste Franchise Collection Agreement, but then the governmental unit must abide by all of the terms, conditions, and limitations in the scope of the City's Commercial Solid Waste Franchise Collection Agreement.~~

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~~b. Commercial Locations Receiving City Subsidized \$39/month Service Prior to June 30, 2009: In order to transition towards equity in rates for all user groups, commercial locations that have been receiving the City's in-house refuse collection services prior to June 30, 2009 at the subsidized \$39/month rate will be transitioned to the City provided service under a schedule of reduced subsidies to be applied up until July 1, 2012.~~

~~b. Non-Profit Rate Exemption: Non-profit customers that are classified as 501(c)(3) and are further defined as public charities under 509(a)(2) may qualify for Refuse Dumpster service at no charge. These types of organizations must meet two tests under IRS rules to be given a 509(a)(2) classification. See IRS Publication 557 for a discussion of this type of non-profit. Churches, Educational Organizations (schools or colleges), hospitals, and governments are defined as 509(a)(1) organizations and are not exempt from Refuse Dumpster fees. This Refuse Dumpster service is limited to collection once per week.~~

~~c. Non-Profits Receiving City Subsidized Service for Free Prior to June 30, 2009:~~

~~i. Non-profit community social service organizations classified as 501(c)(3) charitable tax-exempt organizations and that are further defined as public charities under 509(a)(2) may apply to the City to waive the fees for service enclosed herein. These are the organizations typically known as non-profit social service organizations that must meet the IRS tests under the 509(a)(s) rules.~~

~~ii. Non-profit organizations that were receiving city subsidized service for free prior to June 30, 2009 that do not qualify for this waiver of~~

~~fees will be provided service under the Section 13 (a) shown above.~~

R2:3 Point of Collection

- (1) Residential Curbcart Customers shall place Refuse, Recyclables, and Compostables (seasonal) Curbcarts at the curb or designated collection site before 7 a.m. on the weekly collection day.
- ~~(1) Each category of solid waste containers should be clearly separated from each other with at least three feet between each curbside cart.~~
- (2) Whenever possible, the automated refuse, recycling and compost Curbcarts must shall be properly placed at their designated collection location on collection day the curb on collection day to maximize automated collection efficiencies.
 - a. Place Curbcarts at the curb no more than 24 hours ahead of collection time if serviced from the curb.
 - b. Place Curbcarts at the curb in a direction so that the front bar and lid opening face the street side.
 - c. Allow a minimum of three (3) feet between Curbcarts, with the serial number facing the street, and allowing three feet between carts and any other obstacles, such as utility poles, trees, mailboxes, parked vehicles, other collection containers, etc.
 - d. CurbCarts may not be placed should not be placed for collection beneath tree branches, wires or overhangs lower than fifteen (15) feet.
 - e. -Acceptable variations are to park-set the Curbcart in the driveway approach near the street or on the extension, next to the curb. In certain situations, the City AdministratorPublic Services Area Administrator or his/hertheir designee may specify exact collection locations for Curbcarts.
 - f. Curbcarts may not be placed in the street where there are marked bike lanes.
 - i. If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is protected by a raised concrete or bollarded buffer: a curb cart shall be placed on the buffer. If the buffer is unable to accommodate a curb cart because it is not wide enough, is covered with snow, or otherwise blocked, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.
 - ii. If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is protected by a painted non-bollarded buffer: a curb cart shall be placed within the painted buffer. If the buffer is unable to accommodate a curb cart because it is not wide enough, is covered with snow, or otherwise blocked, a curb cart shall be placed on a lawn extension as close to the curb as possible. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curb cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.

- iii. If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is not protected by a buffer: a curbside cart shall be located on the lawn extension as close to the curb as possible. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curbside cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curbside cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.
- iv. For locations without bicycle lanes or bicycle paths: a curbside cart shall be placed next to the curb in the street or on the lawn extension. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curbside cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curbside cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street. If there is no lawn extension, a curbside cart shall be placed on the sidewalk, next to the curb.

(2)(3) For residential dwellings Curbside Cart Customers and other locations served by an alley, the point of collection may be adjacent to the alley or at the street if the city administrator Public Services Area Administrator or their designee determines that it is a preferable point for collection.

~~Section R2:9 provides for variances on point of collection that are available for residential and commercial locations.~~

(4) Dumpsters shall be placed for service in a location pre-approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee to permit safe access by solid waste collection vehicles and operators. Refer to the Solid Waste Details in Article 12 of the Public Services Standard Specifications for additional requirements.

(5) The site owner and/or manager must ensure that Solid Waste Containers are accessible to solid waste collection equipment and are not blocked on collection days. Dumpsters and Curbside carts blocked by vehicles, delivery trucks, ice, snow or any other object will not be serviced. Parking lots, driveways, and walkways around Solid Waste Containers must be cleared and treated for safe accessibility of service personnel and vehicles, including snow removal, by the site owner and/or manager. Dumpsters and Curbside carts frozen in or blocked by snow and ice will not be serviced.

~~If access to a dumpster or curbside cart Solid Waste Container is blocked on private property, the site owner and/or manager must wait until the next regularly scheduled collection day for the Solid Waste Containers to be emptied. If collection of the Solid Waste Container is desired prior to the next regularly scheduled collection day, the site owner and/or manager must call the assigned service provider to make arrangements for that additional collection. Such additional collections will be subject to a separate fee. or make their own arrangements for servicing needs. See R2:2(9) for pre-paid City-provided dumpster emptying.~~

(6) _____

_____ ~~The Customer site owner and/or manager~~ must pick up all Solid Waste found outside of Solid Waste Containers to keep the area clean. ~~especially where a collection was missed for reasons listed above.~~

(7) _____

_____ ~~The City will maintain the license number of a vehicle blocking a dumpster or curb cart on private property for at least a month after the missed collection day. The number, if available, will be provided on request to property owners/managers at no charge.~~

(3) _____ ~~Solid Waste must be separated and placed into their respective Solid Waste Containers; specifically refuse~~ Refuse must be in refuse containers; ~~recyclables~~ Recyclables must be in recycling containers; yard waste must be properly bagged, bundled or placed in compost containers and ~~food scraps~~ Food Scraps must be in compost containers where applicable. All Solid Waste must be fully contained within the property's Solid Waste Container —meeting the weight limits and without overflowing items. Solid Waste Containers that are improperly prepared will not be serviced.

~~(4) Solid waste collection services for special events are available for a fee from the City on a pre-arranged, pre-paid, case-by-case basis.~~

R2:4 Points of storage

~~(1) Solid waste curb carts may not be placed in the street where there are marked bike lanes.~~

~~• If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is protected by a raised concrete or bollarded buffer: a curb cart shall be placed on the buffer. If the buffer is unable to accommodate a curb cart because it is not wide enough, is covered with snow, or otherwise blocked, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.~~

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~~• If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is protected by a painted non-bollarded buffer: a curb cart shall be placed within the painted buffer. If the buffer is unable to accommodate a curb cart because it is not wide enough, is covered with snow, or otherwise blocked, a curb cart shall be placed on a lawn extension as close to the curb as possible. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curb cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.~~

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~~• If a bicycle lane or bicycle path is not protected by a buffer: a curb cart shall be located on the lawn extension as close to the curb as possible. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curb cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street.~~

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~~• For locations without bicycle lanes or bicycle paths: a curb cart shall be placed next to the curb in the street or on the lawn extension. If the lawn extension will not accommodate a curb cart because of its slope, vegetation, or other impediment, a curb cart shall be placed in the owner or occupant's driveway, next to the street. If there is no lawn extension, a curb cart shall be placed on the sidewalk, next to the curb.~~

~~(1) Solid Waste stored around buildings and in alleys must be contained to avoid prevent the blowing of litter and/or allowing deny access to garbage Solid Waste by vermin. Dumpster and Curbcart Customers shall repackage torn bags, collect and properly contain debris from tipped Solid Waste Containers to ensure that all materials are properly contained for collection. It is the responsibility of the property owner or manager Customer to maintain a clean solid waste storage area, and to repackage torn bags, collect and properly contain debris from tipped sSolid wWaste eCurb carts~~

~~(2) orand Property owners and/or managers Customers must remedy the effects of vandalism on Solid Waste Curbcarts and Dumpsters.~~

~~(3)~~ Front-load d~~umpster~~ locations must be pre-approved by the City Public Services Area Administrator or their designee to permit safe access by City solid waste collection vehicles and their operators. ~~For example, one 6-yard dumpster and 2 recycling curb carts require a concrete pad and at least an 8' x 15' area for storage and a 25' vertical clearance with a 12' access drive to the storage area in order to allow access by City vehicles to empty the dumpster(s). Other dumpster location configurations should be proportioned accordingly.~~ Dumpster configuration details are located in Article 12 of the Public Services Standard Specifications.

~~(3)(4)~~ Space designated for these uses (recycling and refuse containers)Solid Waste Containers shall be used solely for this purpose. ~~these shall have priority over the allocation of any space for other uses (e.g. Storage of other items, including fats/oils/grease containers), is not permitted without pre-approval from the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. The Systems Planning Unit may develop further specifications to assist in container placement design.~~

~~(4)(5)~~ Dumpster placement, screening, landscaping ~~or variances~~ must comply with the provisions of City Code Chapter 55 Unified Development Code (UDC)~~62 (Landscape and Screening), Chapter 55 (Zoning), Chapter 57 (Subdivision and Land Use Control), and Chapter 59 (Off-Street Parking).~~

~~(5)~~ The site owner and/or manager must ensure that these containers are not blocked on collection days. Dumpsters and curb carts blocked by vehicles, delivery trucks, ice, snow or any other object will not be serviced.

~~(6)~~ Parking lots, driveways, and walkways around solid waste containers must be cleared and treated for safe accessibility of service personnel and vehicles, including snow removal, by the site owner and/or manager. Dumpsters and curb carts frozen in or blocked by snow and ice will not be serviced.

~~(7)~~ If access to a dumpster or curb cart is blocked on private property, the site owner and/or manager must wait until the next regularly scheduled collection day for the containers to be emptied or make their own arrangements for servicing needs. See R2:2(9) for pre-paid City-provided dumpster emptying.

~~(8)~~ The City will maintain the license number of a vehicle blocking a dumpster or curb cart on private property for at least a month after the missed collection day. The number, if available, will be provided on request to property owners/managers at no charge.

- ~~(9) The site owner and/or manager must pick up all solid waste materials found outside of the curb carts to keep the area clean, especially where a collection was missed for reasons listed above.~~

R2:-5 Solid waste containers

(1) GENERAL CONTAINER REQUIREMENTS

- ~~(4)~~
- (A) Prior to the placement of any ~~sSolid wWaste dumpster~~Container(s) ~~to be serviced by the City~~, the owner must receive ~~site~~ approval from the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee ~~City~~ in order to ~~assure~~ ensure that all requested Solid Waste Containers (including size, type and style) are compatible with City sSolid wWaste service equipment used for the given area and appropriate for the location being serviced. ~~The City Public Services Area or the City's recycling contractor will schedule a free site visit upon request.~~
- (B) ~~The site owner and/or manager of all residential locations~~Residential Dumpster Customers must provide and maintain ~~the Refuse site dDumpsters, and curb carts~~ including functional lids. If ~~the trash~~ Refuse dDumpster becomes unserviceable, it is the responsibility of the ~~site owner and/or manager~~ Dumpster Customer to make ~~the needed~~ all necessary repairs to the dDumpster to ensure it is serviceable. All ~~non-residential locations~~ Commercial Dumpster Customers must use ~~the dDumpsters provided through the City's rRefuse and recycling collection contractor~~ Franchised Haulers.
- (C) Solid wWaste must be properly prepared for collection and contained inside city-approved Solid Waste eContainers to avoid littering. Paper products and other loose debris must be covered to avoid blowing. ~~The site owner and/or manager~~ Dumpster and Curbcart Customers ~~are responsible to~~ shall repackage torn bags or and rectify tipped containers Solid Waste Containers to ensure that all materials are properly contained for collection.
- (D) Damaged Curbcarts with jagged edges that pose a safety risk to service personnel will not be collected. It is the responsibility of the ~~property owner and/or manager~~ Curbcart Customer to report ~~curb-Curb~~cart damage to the city ~~or city recycling contractor~~ for replacement.
- ~~(E) All lLiquid and food debris must be removed from all recyclable~~ Recyclables ~~materials~~ to ensure that insects and other animal pests are not attracted to the ~~recycling containers~~ Solid Waste Container. Failure to properly empty and rinse out rRecyclables will result in these materials being rejected for service. ~~Recycling containers~~ Solid Waste Containers for Recyclables must be clean of this debris before they will be are serviced. ~~A Clean Community Standards violation may be reported if this is a continual problem at any~~ rResidential or cCommercial lLocation.

(E)

- (F) ~~Recycling curb carts~~Curbcarts are the property of the City and may not be removed from the specific address to which the ~~curb cart~~Curbcart has been issued.

~~(G) Cardboard boxes are not accepted as collection containers for refuse, recycling, or compostables.~~

~~(H)(G) Solid wWaste eContainers that are emptied by automated lifts on vehicles may not exceed weigh more than the maximum weights limit specified on for each the Solid Waste eContainer.~~

~~(H)(H) The fees for the cost and delivery, servicing, and replacement of refuse and compost curb cartsCurbcarts will be determined by City Council resolution and will be invoiced to the property owner. Nonpayment of the invoice will result in the costs being assessed against the property owner pursuant to section 2:5 of Chapter 26.~~

~~(I) The size, number, and type of refuse cartsSolid Waste Containers assigned to a locationCustomer is dependent on the amount of sSolid wWaste expected to be generated on-site each week and will bdetermined is subject to approval by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee.~~

~~(J) Planning Petitions and any location with a proposed change of use that will impact Solid Waste are required to provide the following information on plans submitted to the Public Services Area.~~

~~(1) Detailed waste generation calculations for the proposed use(s), specifying waste for both Refuse and Recyclables and demonstrate that on-site storage capacity is sufficient for the proposed collection method. Each property shall provide sufficient capacity in appropriately sized Solid Waste Containers to minimize the number of collection days and tips per week.~~

~~(2) Show where Solid Waste Containers will be stored prior to collection and label with the size(s) and type of Solid Waste stored. Solid Waste Containers must be stored in a building or screened from view from the public Right-of-Way.~~

~~(3) Show where Solid Waste Containers will be collected, which may or may not be the same place where they are stored, and label with the size and type of Solid Waste stored within.~~

~~(4) Provide a solid waste narrative stating necessary solid waste information that cannot be depicted on a plan, minimally including:~~

~~a. Proposed number of service days per week for each type of Solid Waste collected.~~

~~b. A description of responsibilities necessary for solid waste service, such as, if Solid Waste Containers must be staged for collection; where Solid Waste Containers will be staged for collection; who is~~

responsible for staging Solid Waste Containers for collection and returning them to their stored location.

c. Necessary parking restrictions to prevent blocked access to collection locations.

(5) Solid Waste collected in Dumpsters will be serviced from an enclosure unless otherwise approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. Enclosures shall conform to the Solid Waste Details in Article 12 of the Public Services Standard Specifications. Enclosures shall be fully dimensioned, internal and external, on the plans.

(6) Enclosures modified from the details in Article 12 of the Public Services Standard Specifications are subject to approval by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. A minimum of two (2) feet must be provided between Dumpsters and enclosure walls.

(7) Enclosures shall not be located within a utility easement.

(8) The proposed swept path of the solid waste vehicle shall be shown on the plans, meeting the clearance requirements noted in Article 12 of the Public Services Standard Specifications. The maximum reversing distance on private property is thirty (30) feet.

(9) Forward access from private property to the public Street is required for the Solid Waste truck when Solid Waste Containers are collected on private property. An alternative arrangement may be approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee for properties that cannot provide forward access due to severe space constraints, site grade changes that cannot be mitigated, or other unique circumstances.

(10) The Public Services Area Administrator or their designee assigns the type of Solid Waste Container used for each property/site planned location.

a. Refuse and Recyclables generated by a Commercial Customer will be serviced with Dumpsters except when approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee to be serviced by a Curbcart.

b. Refuse and Recyclables generated by Residential Customers will be serviced in a Curbcart or Dumpster based on the following criteria:

<u>Dwelling Unit Style</u>	<u>Curbcart Service Setout Location</u>	<u>Does Required Public or Private** Street Frontage exist to allow for all</u>	<u>Is the Public or Private** Street Accessible for</u>	<u>Solid Waste Container Type</u>

		<u>required Curbcarts?</u>	<u>Automated (Side Arm) Collection Truck Service?</u>	
<u>Detached</u>	<u>Public or Private Street</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Curbcart</u>
<u>Detached</u>	<u>Public or Private Street</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>Dumpster</u>
<u>Detached</u>	<u>Private Driveway</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Curbcart</u>
<u>Detached</u>	<u>Private Driveway</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>Dumpster</u>
<u>Attached</u>	<u>Public Street</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Curbcart</u>
<u>Attached</u>	<u>Public Street</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>Dumpster</u>
<u>Attached</u>	<u>Private Driveway</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>Dumpster</u>

*In some of the scenarios which answer “Yes” to the required street frontage to allow Curbcarts as the Solid Waste Container for a development, each unit is a calculation of estimated waste generated for the whole development and by unit, which is based on a presumption of waste generated per person.

**A private street must meet the criteria described in the UDC Section 5.21.3 Private Street Standards to answer Yes to the above questions pertaining to private streets.

—Residential Customers who’s Dwelling type are terrace family dwellings, multiple dwellings and rooming dwellings with greater than 10 units must consider all the solid waste generated for that parcel, no matter the number of units, and provide adequate containers. If there is sufficient public street frontage to support individually assigned curbcarts to be spaced appropriately for service, then you can have individually assigned carts. If not, then you must have shared containers. Shared containers could be either Curbcarts or Dumpsters, so long as there is adequate capacity to contain the total volume of solid waste generated by the site between collection days. Shared containers must be placed in approved solid waste storage areas that are a reasonable walking distance from all residential dwelling units and each shared storage area must contain both refuse and recycling containers.

Residential Customer who’s Dwelling type are terrace family dwellings, multiple dwellings and rooming dwellings fewer than 10 units generally will be assigned 64 gallons of refuse capacity per dwelling unit. And one 96-gallon recycling cart, unless additional carts are requested by the property owner / manager or deemed necessary by the City and/or

its contractor

~~Residential Customers who's Dwelling type are single family dwellings and two-family dwellings generally will be assigned one 64-gallon refuse Curbcart, one 64-gallon recycle Curbcart and one 64-gallon compost Curbcart, unless additional or larger carts are requested and paid for by the Customer.~~

~~(J) Apartment locations of fewer than 10 units generally will be assigned 64 gallons of refuse capacity per dwelling unit. Apartment locations with fewer than 10 units will be assigned one 96-gallon recycling cart, unless additional carts are requested by the property owner / manager or deemed necessary by the City and/or its contractor~~

(2) PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS FOR "COMPOSTABLES"

~~(A) Residents with curbside refuse collection receive weekly compostable collection from April 1 through November 30.~~

~~(B) Acceptable compostable yard waste must be placed in city authorized compost curb carts or 30-gallon paper bags constructed to hold yard wastes. Customer supplied cans of any type, other than the city approved compost curb carts, are not acceptable. Plastic bags are not accepted for compostables.~~

~~(C)(A) Brush and tree limbs up to 6" in diameter may be cut into 3-4 foot lengths and tied into bundles up to 18 inches in diameter for seasonal curbside yard waste collection. Residents must make their own arrangements to dispose of b~~
Branches larger than 6 inches in diameter, and tree stumps, and other vegetative debris that does not meet the definition of a Bundle will not be collected by the City.

~~(D) Each bag or bundle may weigh up to 50 pounds.~~

~~(E)(B)~~ Except as provided in this subsection, curbside-collected compostables do not include sod, dirt, stones, refuse, non-vegetative food waste or other prohibited materials listed in section R2:6. Vegetative food waste may be placed in City-authorized-issued compost ~~e~~Curb-carts. Uncoated paper plates and paper cups, and unbleached paper napkins and brown paper towels may be placed in the City-issued ~~authorized~~ compost Curbcart. Unbleached cardboard and non-glossy newspaper may be used as a liner for compost carts for winter compost collection and in order to help keep the compost cart clean for vegetative food waste disposal. Any items contaminated by dairy or meat will not be accepted. With the exception of City-authorized-issued compost ~~e~~Curb-carts, all other collection containers (including 30- gallon paper bags) are prohibited from including grass clippings. ~~Bundles~~ brush and tree limbs must be placed d at the curb or edge of pavement for collection.

(C) Residents may bring their grass clippings and up to one cubic yard of yard waste per visit at no charge to the ~~City's~~ W. R. Wheeler Service Center. Additional quantities brought on the same visit may be brought to the W. R. Wheeler Service Center for a fee. Commercial entities, ~~residents,~~ and nonresidents may use this facility ~~or the Drop-Off Station~~ for compostables on a for-fee basis.

(F) The City's compost program provides free finished compost and/or mulch to residents of the City, not to exceed 1,000 cubic yards of finished compost and/or mulch per year. The finished compost and/or mulch will be distributed at the City's Compost Site on Saturday mornings in the Spring, unless the City chooses a different method of distribution. City will provide a schedule to the Compost Contractor (via email) and to the public (through the website and social media) by April 1st of each year. Residents will be limited to one (1) cubic yard of free finished compost and/or mulch per household per year and will be responsible for shoveling and loading the finished compost and/or mulch with their own equipment and containers. Residents will be required to scale in at the Scalehouse and provide proof of residency meeting the City's requirements.

(D) _____

(E) The City has developed a program that allows for leaves to be delivered to the City's Compost Site by residents or their contracted landscapers at no charge to the resident or landscaper. This program takes place during a 90-day period in the Fall each year. City will provide a schedule to the Compost Contractor (via email) and to the public (through the City's website and social media) by October 1st of each year. Residents must show proof of residency for this free service. Contracted landscapers will need to certify that the leaves come from a residential property within City limits.

~~within the city of Ann Arbor may bring leaves to the City's W.R. Wheeler Service Center at no charge. The resident will need to fill out a form certifying that the material comes from a property within city limits. The form is available online on the city's web site to download and fill out in advance.~~

(3) PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL RECYCLABLES

~~(A)~~ Acceptable Recyclables are those currently accepted for recycling by the City or its recycling provider. An up-to-date list of allowed materials can be found on the City's website.

~~(A)(B)~~ Residents must separate their Recyclables from their household Rrefuse and place them in the recycling collection container provided or approved by the City. Residents must separate and properly prepare the following materials from their household solid wasteRefuse for recycling collection. Recyclables must not be mixed with refuse, compostables or garbage (food waste).

~~(B)(C)~~ The following are guidelines for preparing materials to be placed in City-approved rRecycling Solid Waste Containers materials are to be placed in city approved recycling cart or dumpster:

- ~~• All glass bottles and jars must be empty and dry. Do not include tops.~~
 - ~~• All aluminum, tin andm and- steel beverage and product containers metal cans must be empty and rinsed clean.~~
 - ~~• All plastic bottles, tubs, and containers must be empty and rinsed clean. Do not include plastic lids or caps.~~
 - ~~• All cardboard and boxboard must be empty and flattened.~~
 - ~~• Do not bag Rrecyclables must be loose and unbagged when placed in the Recycling Container.~~
 - ~~• Do not include the following materials in the City-approved recycling carts: plastic bags, styrofoam, plastic film, plastic wrap, shredded paper, batteries or electronics, bulky plastics or scrap metal, tanglers (hoses, wires, chains, electronics).~~
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- ~~• All recyclable bottles and cans must be empty and rinsed clean.~~
 - ~~• Glass, transparent and translucent food and beverage bottles and containers are acceptable. Paper labels, rings and lids are acceptable. Non-container glass such as windows, drinking glasses, mirrors, etc. will not be accepted.~~
 - ~~• Dry, empty metal paint cans with the lids removed, and empty aerosol cans are acceptable. They must not contain wet paint. A thin film of dried paint is acceptable.~~
 - ~~• Tin/Steel cans, pie tins, food and beverage containers of all sizes. Paper labels and plastic coating are acceptable.~~
 - ~~• Household scrap metal including metal pots and pans, metal trays, metal~~

~~bakeware, toasters, metal utensils, etc are acceptable. Electrical cords to not have to be removed.~~

- ~~Aluminum cans, trays and foil with food removed.~~
- ~~Plastic bottles—including:~~
 - ~~HDPE plastic bottles (SPI Code #2)—blow molded (bottle-necked) natural and colored HDPE containers, including plastic milk jugs, water jugs, detergent bottles, and similar items; caps and labels are acceptable.~~
 - ~~PET plastic bottles (SPI Code #1) blow molded (bottle-necked) clear and green PET containers, such as soda bottles, dishwashing soap bottles, and some shampoo bottles.~~
 - ~~All plastic bottles (SPI Code #4, 5, 6, or 7) except for polyvinyl-chloride (SPI Code #3).~~
- ~~Household plastic tubs and cup shapes with SPI Codes #1, #2 and #4 through #7 excluding Styrofoam and SPI Code #3.~~
- ~~Bulky HDPE—defined as large HDPE items (buckets, crates, toys, trays, furniture, bins, barrels etc.). This category is often referred to as “Injection HDPE”.~~
- ~~Plastic bottles, tubs, and cups that have held a toxic substance such as motor oil, antifreeze, pesticides, etc. are not acceptable.~~
- ~~Plastic lids are not acceptable.~~
- ~~Multi-coated/plastic-coated paper beverage cartons including milk cartons, juice cartons, and juice boxes (also known as aseptic containers) are acceptable.~~
- ~~ONP—old newspapers including advertisement inserts are acceptable. Old newspaper that contains incidental moisture from rain on collection days is acceptable. Soaked paper or yellowed newsprint is unacceptable.~~
- ~~OMG—old magazines containing glossy coated paper, including catalogues,~~

~~glossy fillers or mailers, with the exception of wet material or material that was once wet, is acceptable.~~

- ~~• OCC—old corrugated containers (cardboard) that are flattened that have liners of Kraft, jute, or test liner are acceptable. Cardboard must be small enough to fit in recycling container without jamming. Staples and tape with water-soluble glues do not have to be removed. OCC can be damp but not soaked. Pizza boxes free of food are acceptable. Wax-coated old corrugated containers are not acceptable. (Wax-coated boxes are generally used for shipping produce and can be distinguished by being able to scratch the wax off the surface with a fingernail.) Glossy coated boxes—those that include graphics on the box surface—are acceptable for recycling.~~
- ~~• Paper bags: all sizes of loose, bundled or bagged are acceptable.~~
- ~~• Junk mail—all dry, loose or bagged bulk mail consisting of paper or cardboard. Envelopes with windows are acceptable.~~
- ~~• Office paper and household writing paper—all types and sizes of dry, loose or bagged white and colored ledger and copier paper, note pad paper, loose leaf fillers, computer paper (continuous form perforated white bond or greenbar paper) are acceptable. Shredded paper must be placed in clear or translucent bags.~~
- ~~• Boxboard—all non-corrugated cardboard, commonly used in dry food and cereal boxes, shoe boxes, uncoated freezer boxes, and other similar packaging is acceptable. Boxboard with wax or plastic coating and boxboard that has been contaminated by food is not acceptable. Tissue paper, bath tissue, paper cups, paper plates or paper towels are not acceptable.~~
- ~~• Telephone books, catalogs, and soft-bound paperback books are acceptable.~~
- ~~• Gift wrapping paper and greeting cards are acceptable. (metallic-coated paper and metallic-coated holiday cards not acceptable.)~~

~~(C)(D)~~ The City may conduct special recycling pilots or seasonal collection programs. ~~Materials other than those listed above may be accepted for recycling only during the program duration.~~

~~(D)(E)~~ ~~The City accepts a~~Additional items are accepted for recycling at the Drop-Off Station, as described in R2:7.

(4) **COMMERCIAL RECYCLING COLLECTION**

- (A) All ~~C~~commercial ~~L~~locations~~Customers~~ including businesses and institutions that receive City ~~S~~solid ~~W~~waste collection from the City's Franchised Hauler and commercial locations that receive solid waste collection from a Licensed Hauler ~~shall~~are required to separate ~~R~~recyclables in the same fashion as required of residents~~Residential Customers~~ effective July 1, 2009 or earlier at the commercial locations options.

~~(B)~~—Commercial ~~locations~~Customers must use assigned ~~city approved recycling~~

~~Curbcarts or dumpsters Dumpsters Recycling Containers~~ provided by the City's recycling program ~~unless otherwise approved by the Public Services Area Administrator or their designee. Effective July 1, 2011, C~~commercial ~~locations~~ Customers must participate in the City's recycling program or demonstrate compliance with the City's recycling program by requesting an exemption, submitting and securing approval from the City annually for a qualified and administratively complete Recycling Compliance Plan and Recycling Compliance Report. Commercial ~~locations~~ Customers that ~~use~~ the City's

recycling program and are in compliance with all of its requirements shall be automatically included in the City's recycling compliance plan and reporting system. All other Commercial Locations Customers must submit their Recycling Compliance Plan and Recycling Compliance Report to document that the ~~commercial-location~~ Commercial Customer has established a recycling program, other than the City's provided service, or in addition to the City's provided service, that demonstrates capacity to meet all requirements of the City's program covered by the Code and these regulations, including the requirement to keep specified Recyclables separated from Solid Waste.

~~(G)~~(B) Alternative methods for handling commercial Recyclables are available at the City's Drop-Off Station, ~~the Ann Arbor Material Recovery and Transfer Facility or~~

~~(D)~~(C) For Commercial Locations Customers, all cardboard boxes placed in recycling dumpsters must be flattened. Cardboard collected along commercial street and alley collection routes must be flattened and placed inside a Curb-cart with the lid closed. No ~~r~~Recyclables ~~materials~~ or cardboard will be serviced outside a city-approved container. Exceptions may be made by ~~contract administrator~~ the City's Public Works Unit Services Area Administrator or their designee.

~~(E)~~(D) The City will not collect recyclable toxic material from regulated Commercial Locations Customers including businesses and institutions as regulated under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq. as amended.

R2:6 Prohibited material additions

(1) **PROHIBITED MATERIALS** No person may place ~~out for collection~~ any of the materials specified below in a Solid Waste Container ~~out for collection~~:

- a. Explosive, radioactive or other hazardous material such as ammunition, smoke detectors, gasoline, turpentine, or any flammable materials, grease, pesticides or asbestos.
- b. Oil filters, motor oil, rechargeable and/or non-alkaline household batteries and car batteries.
- c. Items that may damage equipment, pose a safety threat to service staff or the environment, and/or are regulated by the state or Federal government ~~may shall~~ not be placed in ~~R~~refuse, Compost or ~~R~~ecycling containers any Solid Waste Container serviced by the City. These include pianos, garage doors, heavy metal parts, fuel and propane tanks, automobile, truck or other vehicular parts and tires. This also includes large construction debris, such as concrete, rocks, bricks, mortar, cement, tar, railroad ties, logs over 6 inches in diameter and tree stumps.

- d. Liquid waste, as defined by Michigan Public Act 641, the Solid Waste Management Act of 1979.
- e. Medical waste (as defined in Part 138 of the Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, as amended~~the Michigan Medical Waste Regulatory Act 386 of 1998~~), from all ~~C~~commercial– CustomersLocationsestablishments. Commercial medical waste must be stored on site and collected for disposal all in compliance with state commercial medical waste regulations.

- f. Unused and partially full containers of household hazardous products (such as pesticides, drain cleaners, automotive fluids and oil paints).

(2) REGULATED MATERIALS WITH SPECIAL PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS

~~The following specially regulated materials shall not be placed in a Solid Waste Containers out for collection unless they are prepared as specified below. No person may place out for collection any of the following specially regulated materials unless the materials are prepared as specified below:~~

- a. Residential medical waste including hypodermic needles, syringes and lancets (also known as "sharps") will not be collected unless handled as follows:
- (i) The used residential sharps must be stored in a sturdy plastic jug, which is labeled "Sharps, Dispose of Properly." When full, the jug is to be taped securely shut and placed inside a residential trash bag. Under no circumstance should sharps containers be placed in in a Solid Waste Container for Recyclables ~~recycling collection containers~~.
 - (ii) The preferred method for handling used residential sharps is to store them in a commercially-available sharps container. When full, the container is taken to a participating pharmacy for proper disposal in compliance with state commercial medical waste regulations. Call Washtenaw County for a list of participating pharmacies.
- b. Diapers, kitty litter, animal feces, and small dead animals under one pound will not be collected unless first placed in sealed, double-plastic bags.
- c. Sawdust and cold ashes must be placed in sealed plastic bags.
- d. ~~Used-P~~ paint cans will not be collected unless prepared in one of the following ways:
- ~~(a)~~(i) Dry, empty metal latex paint cans with the lids removed, and empty aerosol cans, may ~~be recycled in the recycling~~ be placed in the Refuse container.
 - ~~(b)~~(ii) Water-based paint containers up to 1/3 full must be solidified (such as through evaporation or the addition of kitty litter, peat moss or soil) and placed ~~in the with other R~~ refuse in the Customer's Solid Waste Container for Refuse ~~curb cart~~ with the paint container lid tightly sealed.
 - ~~(c)~~(iii) Cans of unused oil-base paint are prohibited from Michigan landfills

and must be taken to Washtenaw County's Home Toxics Reduction Program.

- e. ~~Computer and television CRTs and other monitors~~Electronic Waste will not be collected by the City. Residents and commercial locations are encouraged to recycle ~~unwanted e~~Electronics Waste at the Drop-Off Station, reuse operations or ~~via~~to use the manufacturer's product return programs.
- f. Washtenaw County operates a Home Toxics Reduction Program and Referral Center for proper disposal of many hazardous residential products.

R2:7 Solid waste facilities additions

(1) W. R. WHEELER SERVICE CENTER

The City provides comprehensive solid waste management, recovery and disposal services at the W. R. Wheeler Service Center located at 4150 Platt Road, ~~south of East Ellsworth Road.~~

- (A) Proof of City residency, as defined in section R2:1, may be required for depositing certain materials or receiving preferential fees. For the purposes of this section, any of the following shall be considered proof of residency: a current water bill with an Ann Arbor residential address, voter registration form or other document issued by the City only to residents.
- (B) Fees may apply for various services, ~~as determined by resolution of City Council or in Council-approved contracts.~~
- (C) Hours of operation may vary.

(2) DROP-OFF STATION

The Drop-Off Station is located at 2950 East Ellsworth Road in Ann Arbor and is .~~The Drop-Off Station is operated by third-party contractor Recycle Ann Arbor. The third-party operator establishes~~For a current list of the range of services, fees, hours of operation, and acceptable items. see Recycle Ann Arbor's Drop-Off Station website.~~The Drop-Off Station will accept the following: is a regional facility, and when open, accepts material as defined below. Some fees may apply, as determined by the site operator. Specific recyclables accepted may change as deemed necessary by the site operator.~~

- (A) All recyclables accepted for the residential curbside recycling collection program.
- (B) Additional recyclables are accepted at this facility, including vehicle batteries, household batteries, motor oil, oil filters, larger-sized scrap metal, Styrofoam, # 2 and #4 plastic bags, and flattened corrugated cardboard up to 6 feet in length.
- (C) **Scrap metal.** Scrap metal includes bicycles, lawnmowers, lawn furniture, odd pieces of aluminum siding and pipes. All fluids must be drained.
- (D) **Household appliances.** Household appliances, such as refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, dehumidifiers and dishwashers. A per-appliance fee is charged, which includes the cost for Freon-removal.

(E) **Compostables.** Compostables, as defined in Chapter 26 of the City Code and including grass clippings, may be dropped off for a fee.

F) —Municipal Solid Waste and Construction Debris. Includes all non-hazardous municipal solid waste, such as carpeting, mattresses, furniture, trash, and building debris, drywall, shingles, plywood, painted or treated wood, concrete with steel, and bricks.

~~(G)~~ ~~(G)~~—Other materials at the option of the facility operator.

(3) MATERIALS RECOVERY & TRANSFER FACILITY

The Material Recovery Facility (MRF), located at the W. R. Wheeler Service Center, accepts and processes recyclables as determined by the operator.

- a. Customers to the MRF must pre-arrange through the City's contracted MRF operator to ~~be able to~~ deliver recyclables to the MRF. Please Customers must call the contracted MRF operator for more information.
- b. Fees for the use of the MRF are pre-arranged by the operator.
- c. Hours of operation may vary.

(4) THE COMPOST CENTER

The Compost Center, located at the W. R. Wheeler Service Center, processes compostable material into finished compost and wood mulch.

- a. Compostable material is subject to a processing fee set by City Council through resolution. Material acceptable at the Compost Center includes untreated wooden pallets and untreated wood up to 8 feet long by 6 inches thick.
- ~~b. Large quantity sales of the processed compost and mulch must be pre-paid at the MRF Scalehouse. Small quantity processed compost sales are handled at the Drop-Off Station.~~

~~(5) THE MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY EDUCATION CENTER~~

~~The MRF Education Center is located on the second floor of the MRF administrative office. The Education Center provides educational tours, open houses and schedules the classroom space for community meetings on a pre-arranged basis. Please call the City for more information. Fees for the use of the Education Center may be applicable. All persons using the Center shall abide by all facility use rules. Failure to abide by the rules is subject to the penalties of City Code Section 2:13.~~

~~(6)~~(5) THE TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station, located at the W. R. Wheeler Service Center, accepts and processes refuse as determined by the operator.

- a. Customers ~~to of~~ the Transfer Station must pre-arrange through the City's contracted operator to ~~be able to~~ deliver refuse. Please Customers must call the contracted operator for more information.

- b. Fees for the use of the Transfer Station are pre-arranged by the operator.

- c. Hours of operation may vary.

R2:109 Variances Additions

(1) ~~Special Set-out for Curbside Collection Service~~CURBSIDE— COLLECTION SERVICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

~~Side door or porch~~Special set-out service is provided by the City or its authorized contractor to ~~citizens~~customers who are physically unable to place their ~~Curbside carts~~Curbside carts at curbside, have no other persons in their household capable of placing the Curbside carts curbside, and are unable to make other arrangements for the Curbside carts to have materials placed at curbside. This type of collection will be known as a “Special ~~Pickup~~Set-out” and is limited to Curbside carts only. No Yard waste bags and/or Bundles are not included and must will be carried from the house to the truck, those items must be placed at the curb for collection by the Customer.”

Special ~~Pickup~~Set-out service is subject to approval by the City following an on-site interview and must be renewed every two years. To arrange an interview, call ~~the City's~~ Customer Service, Center at 99-GREEN (994-7336).

Special Set-out is available to Residential Customers living in single or two-family dwelling units.

The Curbside carts must be placed within view from the street and no more than 50 feet from the curb prior to 7 a.m. on collection day.

(2) ~~DUMPSTER VARIANCES~~ Variances on dumpster location or screening requirements are handled under City Code, Chapter 62.

R2:15 Integrated Solid Waste Management Strategy

- (1) The City supports the State of Michigan's recommended waste management hierarchy for handling solid waste. ~~through the City's own Integrated Solid Waste Management Strategy plan. The plan~~The State's hierarchy provides the following ranking in order of most preferred to least preferred for: (1) waste prevention; (2) reuse and repair; (3) recycling and composting; (4) refuse-derived fuel; and (5) landfilling.
- (2) To strengthen the markets for products made with recycled material content, the City may specify recycled-content goods within the purchasing guidelines set by City Council. The City will also promote the use of recycled content products to the community.

~~R2:16 Procedures for Enforcement~~

- ~~(1) During the transition period from July 1, 2009 to July 1, 2011, the City shall provide a notice of the availability of technical assistance materials.~~
- ~~(2) The enforcement provisions described above shall not be applied to and shall not prevent enforcement of the hauler licensing requirements of the code, the exemption requirements and procedures of the code.~~

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