

BYLAW 21-25 - WASTE BYLAW

Purpose

The purpose of Bylaw 21-25 is to provide a waste collection utility in the Town of Okotoks.

Readings

This Bylaw is ready for three readings.

That Waste Services and service level updates attached in Council Policy GP-E-2.1 Program and Service Review: Appendix A be updated as presented.

Report, Analysis and Financial Implications

At the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting on September 16, 2024, Waste Solutions presented recommended service level changes for Waste Services. These and other changes affecting waste management in Okotoks were approved by Council at the Annual Budget Meeting on November 19, 2024.

Due to the large number of amendments, Administration opted to write a new bylaw to better reflect the changes and present draft Bylaw 21-25 for Council's review and adoption. The redlined version of Bylaw 18-16 is provided for illustrative purposes and may not reflect minor changes. Bylaw 18-16 will be rescinded upon third and final reading of Bylaw 21-25.

The amendments brought forward are for the purpose of reflecting recent service level changes and for modernizing the Bylaw. Some of the key changes included removing service level language from the Waste Bylaw and including it in the GP-E-2.1 Program and Service Review Policy, adjusting available cart sizes for resident use, updating language to allow for alternate collection days for recycling and organics, ensuring all residents participate in and fund the Town's waste collection services as a public good, and ensuring resident set-out of carts allows for expedient and efficient collection services to be delivered.

Further amendments may be introduced next year to reflect the Town's participation in managing and directing the collection of materials now managed under Alberta's Extended Producer Responsibility Framework.

Strategic Plan Goals

\boxtimes	Responsibly Managed Growth			Demonstrated Environmental
	Strong Local Economy			Leadership
\boxtimes	Organizational Excellence			Enhanced Culture & Community Health

Community Engagement Strategy

Other than updates and streamlining of the bylaw, service level and other changes all flow from recommendations approved by Council during budget deliberations in November 2024. The Waste Bylaw is a non-statutory bylaw, and no community engagement is planned for the amendments.

Alternatives for Consideration

n/a

CAO Comments

I support these recommended changes to align with previous Council direction in relation to waste service level changes.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Draft Bylaw 21-25 Waste Bylaw
- 2. Bylaw 18-16 Waste Bylaw redlined version
- 3. Appendix A Waste Services and Service Level Inventory redlined version
- 4. Draft Program and Service Review Policy GP-E-2.1

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