Bylaw 19643 Waste Services Bylaw 18590, Amendment No. 4

Purpose

To amend the Waste Services Bylaw 18590 to update certain sections, proposed mainly as a result of the Edmonton Cart Rollout.

Readings

Bylaw 19643 is ready for three readings. If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree "That Bylaw 19643 be considered for third reading."

Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

Report Summary

This report sets out bylaw amendments being proposed mainly as a result of the Edmonton Cart Rollout. These additions have been made to the bylaw to provide further clarification and guidance to both residents and Administration. Some additional changes have been made to the City Manager Role section to clarify the City of Edmonton's role in waste management and the Waste Services Utility rates.

Report

A number of sections have been amended in the bylaw and are outlined below. See Attachment 1 for more details. A side by side comparison of the changes is provided in Attachment 2.

- The recitals section has been updated and a section added to clarify the Waste Utility's role and which services are funded by the utility rate.
- The Organic Materials section has been updated to note that Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI) or Bureau de normalisation du Québec (BNQ) certified compostable bags are acceptable in the organics cart.
- The Yard and Leaf Waste section has been updated to note that clear plastic bags are acceptable for this type of material, in addition to the double-ply paper bags.

- The section on Excess Waste has been removed. Residents who have larger waste volumes due to certain conditions may apply for a 360 litre cart. Excess waste may also be dropped off at Eco Stations or at the Edmonton Waste Management Centre.
- A clause has been added to Section 24 to clarify the City of Edmonton's role in waste management and the Waste Services Utility rates.
- Some minor clarification has been made to Section 37 to note that the City of Edmonton can inspect and collect waste and enter upon private lands for the purposes of providing and/or maintaining bins and carts.
- Minor grammatical edits have been made to the definitions and one minor change in Schedule 3 where "Rate 1" was noted twice.

The Waste Guidelines are a supplement to the Waste Services Bylaw 18590 and updates fall under the Branch Manager's delegation of authority. Recognizing that this has been a challenging year for residents and companies, Waste Services is proposing that waste fees at all waste drop-off facilities, including the Edmonton Waste Management Centre and Eco Stations remain unchanged, with the exception of one additional fee for yard waste drop off, as noted below. Proposed changes for 2021 are as a result of the Cart Rollout which launched in March 2021. These changes include:

- Removal of the excess waste guideline.
- Addition of a new waste fee for yard waste in plastic bags dropped off at a waste facility.
- Updated description of the recyclable material guideline.

Corporate Outcomes and Performance Management

Corporate Outcome(s): Edmonton is an environmentally sustainable and resilient city

Outcome(s)	Measure(s)	Result(s)	Target(s)
Edmonton is an environmentally sustainable and resilient city	Diversion Rate	18% (2020)	90% (long term)

Public Engagement

Public engagement was not undertaken for the bylaw amendment as minor updates to the bylaw are standard operational practice for the Waste Services Utility.

Legal Implications

City Council has the authority to amend the Waste Services Bylaw, Bylaw 18590, under section 7 of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c M-26, through the powers to pass bylaws for public utilities, the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property, nuisances, the enforcement of bylaws, and services provided by the municipality.

Attachments

- 1. Bylaw 19643 Waste Services Bylaw 18590, Amendment No. 4
- 2. Side by Side Comparison

Others Reviewing this Report

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- C. Owen, Deputy City Manager, Communications and Engagement
- R. Smyth, Deputy City Manager, Citizen Services
- K. Fallis-Howell, Acting City Solicitor