



City Council
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From: [Betty Solek](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Keep Western Waste as trash service provider for Louisville
Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 11:46:23 AM

Hello City council members

I want to voice my support for continued trash service from Western Waste (WW). We have been really pleased with their service. If there is a problem WW addresses it promptly and they adapt with new equipment when they encounter a service inefficiency.

I think there are some hidden service costs with the proposed Republic service. For instance, they do not accept branches in the compost bin. Does this mean we will rely on ourselves to bring all branch loads to the city yards? What is the definition of a "branch"? Will we have to sort out shrub cuttings when cleaning out gardens in the spring. Currently WW does not make that distinction and it's very convenient.

One of the benefits of the WW service was reducing the number of trucks traveling around Louisville. I would hate to see this change..

In summary, the additional costs for WW for better service, far outweighs the cheaper service that Republic might provide.

Thank you for considering my input.

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From: [Kristin Kusmerek](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: trash hauler--pro Western Disposal
Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 10:54:38 AM

Louisville City Council Members, I apologize for the tardiness of my awareness of the trash hauler contracting discussion. I am saddened and uncomfortable that we might not re-engage Western Disposal, a company that has long served this community well.

A number of factors continue to make Western an appealing choice:

-SERVICE: Western Disposal has won over this community in grand fashion with **high quality service, community-minded actions, and business behaviors that keep our County goals in mind**. In fact, Western's proposal continues to support some of our largest events with "green" services, demonstrating a commitment to our common goals as neighbors.

-COMPOST: Republic appears to offer less convenient yard waste composting services, given its approach to meeting EAB concerns. **If I'm reading the materials correctly, woody materials would need to be bundled and set beside carts for separate pick-up, not included in the compost cart**. I believe composting becomes most persuasive and manageable when it's convenient--and I, for one, would despise having to sort, bundle, and manage woody yard waste at the curb. This requirement might actually discourage such composting.

-TRUCK TRAFFIC: A Republic contract appears to reject one of the original selling-points of Waste Disposal's service--**Republic trucks would be in Louisville four days a week vs. Western's one**. Years ago citizens argued for safer streets, and Council argued for less wear-and-tear on our roads.

-LOCAL SUPPORT: Calls for **supporting local businesses** fall flat when Council makes decisions that seem to fly in the face of honoring local, long-standing relationships.

Change is sometimes warranted, so I'll be listening for **rationales in addition to cost** in the discussions and decision-making on this issue. Please consider the trade-offs carefully, as Western Disposal has served us well in many regards.

Thank you very much for your time and service.

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From: [Kristin Robinson](#)
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Subject: Keep Western Disposal
Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 10:53:49 AM

Dear Council Members,

We were extremely disappointed to hear the council's recommendation to replace Western Disposal's waste removal services with Republic Services. The few extra dollars a month Western's services would cost is a reasonable price to pay for the exceptional and reliable service this local business provides. I hope you will reconsider your recommendation and renew with Western Disposal.

Sincerely,
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From: [Morgan Stanfield](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: More reasons to support Western Disposal
Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 12:11:07 PM

Dear City Council Members:

I'm writing again to express my strong support for renewing Western Disposal's contract with the city. Aside from the immaculate service we've received from them in the Sundance neighborhood, our irreplaceable neighborhood driver, and the fact that they are a local business, I believe the following issues are relevant to this discussion:

Republic is more burdensome on customers. They require woody compostable materials to be bundled and placed beside the compost can, rather than intergrated with other materials, which is a big annoyance during yardwork seasons. Western's option is better and easier for customers.

Republic requires a four-day pickup schedule, rather than the simple, easy-to-remember, easy-to-use weekly schedule that Western offers. This puts more trucks in our neighborhoods, meaning more wear and tear on our streets, more pollution, and more noise.

Republic does not have a good reputation in local towns they serve. Nederland had to call local news and create public outcry when Republic went weeks without pickup this winter. Western has a fantastic reputation among customers.

I sincerely ask you to renew our Western contract. Keep our money LOCAL. Keep our current community members employed. Use your authority to make waste management an easy, safe, efficient service in our community, not the annoying problem that Republic seems to set us up for.

Regards,

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