

## Waste Collection Timeline - How and Why We Got to This Point

- November 17, 2020, at the Council Committee Meeting, CAO Matt Kremer advised the City Council that the City's waste collection contract was up for renewal on June 30, 2021. Republic Services had met with the City and stated that they may not be able to continue services at the costs provided in the current contract. City representatives were waiting to hear from Republic Services on whether they could continue services as provided in our current contract. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**
- January 12, 2021, CAO Kremer received a letter from Republic Services' General Manager, Jeff Soule. He requested the City not to initiate the 2021-22 renewal term in our existing franchise agreement. Changes in both residential recycling and waste collection have resulted in increased costs. Mr. Soule asked the City to release a Request for Proposals (bid) for a new contract.
- February 2, 2021, CAO Kremer reported at the Regular Council Meeting that we had heard from Republic Services' and they could not continue with the current contract and asked us to go to bid for those services. City Clerk Sherry Hoffman was in the process of preparing the bid and advertising. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**
- March 2, 2021, the City Clerk submitted a legal ad to the Kentucky Enquirer for advertisement on March 8, 2021. All three waste collection companies (Best Way, Rumpke, and Republic Services) were notified of this advertisement. Bid packets were submitted to each one.
- March 19, 2021, representatives with two waste collection companies requested an extension. Due to KRS publication requirements, we could not extend the bidding period without violating KRS. City representatives discussed this and decided that we wanted each company to have time to present the best bids for our residents. It was decided to re-bid the project to allow more time.
- March 23, 2021, the City Clerk submitted another legal ad for advertisement on March 29, 2021. All three companies were notified.
- April 6, 2021, the City Clerk reported at the Regular Council Meeting that the City would be accepting bids on April 12, 2021 and requested (1) a caucus meeting on April 20, 2021 to discuss the bids received and (2) legislation on the May 4, 2021 regular council meeting to award the bid. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**
- April 12, 2021, bids were received from Rumpke and Republic Services. Best Way chose to not submit a bid.
- April 20, 2021, CAO Kremer discussed the bids received with the City Council, advising that the contract would be awarded at the May 4, 2021 regular council meeting. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**
- April 28, 2021, CAO Kremer emailed Council an analysis of the bids received.

- May 4, 2021, Council Member Gary Meyer made a motion to table awarding the waste collection bid, seconded by Tyson Hermes, all council voted to table awarding the contract. Mr. Meyer requested further discussion at the May 18, 2021 council caucus meeting. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**
- May 5, 2021, Rumpke confirmed that if they were awarded the bid and in order to be operational by July 1, 2021, they would need confirmation by May 14, 2021.
- May 6, 2021, CAO Kremer notified Council that a Special Meeting needed to be called for May 11, 2021 to discuss and award the waste collection contract. He included the bid information.
- May 11, 2021, CAO Kremer began the discussion regarding the bids received, Council followed. Five motions were made. Council passed a municipal order accepting Rumpke's bid for weekly waste and voluntary recycling. **This topic was advertised via a Meeting Notice which was posted on City property, City social media, website, and submitted to local media persons with the Enquirer and River City News.**