## Roll Cart - Automated Trash Collection Pilot Project Proposal



## **PILOT Project Overview**

Columbia Public Works John Glascock, P.E., Director Richard Wieman, Solid Waste Utility Manager

## **PILOT Project Goals**

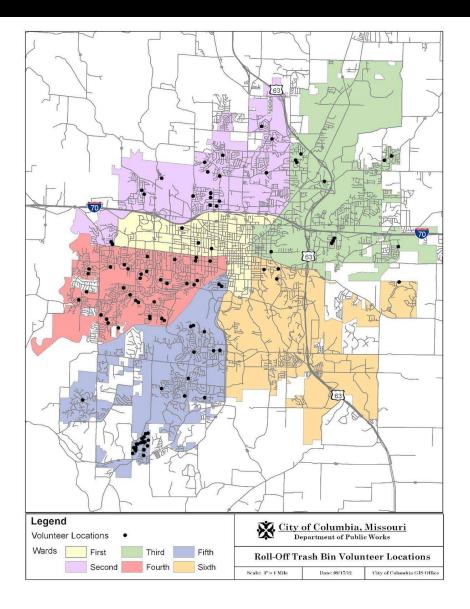
Collect Customer and Staff Data Produce Final Report for Council

Implement Pilot Project

## **PILOT Project Goals**

- Introduce Roll Carts to our Customers
  - Implement Realistic Pilot Program
  - Gather Customer Experience Data
  - Gather Staff Experience Data
  - Compile Data in Report to Council
  - Utilize Data to Design Automated Trash Collection System if Directed by Council

- How Will We Accomplish our Goals?
  - Identify Participants
    - Council Selected
    - Volunteer
  - Ideally 600 Participants
    - 100 From Each Ward
    - Various Age Groups
    - Various Locations (East Campus)



#### **104 Current Volunteer Participant Locations**

- Provide Participants with Educational Materials
- Provide Participants with User Pledge
- Provide Participants with Pre-Survey
- Provide Participants with Cart(s) in Late December
- Collect Data Throughout Project
- Remove Carts First Week of July 2013
- Collect Post-Surveys
- Report to Council in July 2013

### 48, 64, and 96 Gallon Roll Carts



## PILOT PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- Why Not 32 Gallon Roll Carts?
  - Industry Moving Away
  - Difficult to Service with Automated Trucks
    - Carts This Size Slip From Arm
  - Customers Tend to Over Pack
    - Makes Emptying of Cart Difficult
  - Unstable in Windy Conditions
  - Being Replaced by Other Cities and Industry with 48 Gallon Cart

# PILOT PROJECT Fees and revenue

#### **Current Rates and Annual Income**

Current	Units	Monthly	Annual
Program	Serviced	Rate	Revenue
Bag Vouchers	33,597	\$15.42	\$6,216,788.88

#### **Proposed Rates and Annual Income**

Roll Cart Size	Units Serviced	Monthly Rate	% of Carts	Annual Revenue
96	8,399	\$16.67	25	\$1,680,135.96
64	20,158	\$14.67	60	\$3,548,614.32
48	5,040	\$12.67	15	\$ 766,281.60
Additional Cart	1,680	\$10.00	5	\$ 201,600.00
				\$6,196,631.88

# PILOT PROJECT Fees and revenue

- Pilot Fees Will Be Realistic to Proposed Fees
- Additional Carts Available for Monthly Fee
  - \$10.00
- Bag(s) Outside of Cart
  - \$1.00 per bag
  - Will sell stickers to place on bags
- Bulky Items
  - \$5.00 per item
  - Defined as items such as chairs, sofa, etc.

## PILOT PROJECT SAVINGS POTENTIAL

- Current Bag Voucher Program
  - Eight (8) Residential Routes
  - Two Employees per Route
  - Average House Count per Route per Day is 861
- Proposed Automated Collection Program
  - Eight Residential Routes
  - One (1) Employee per Route
  - Realistic House County per Route per Day is 1,000 to 1,100.
  - Two Bulky Item Trucks with Two Employees per truck

# Pilot Project Educational efforts

### Pilot Project Participants

- Provide "Owner's Manual"
- Provide Participant Pledge
- Provide Pilot Project Surveys
- Establish Human Contact
- Establish Electronic Forum to Report Issues
- Establish Social Media Forums to Report Issues

### City Wide

- Presentations to Neighborhood Associations, Civic Groups, Public Forums
- Static Displays of Carts with Comment Cards and Box
- Partner with Media on Multiple Levels for Information
  Distribution

## **Potential Ordinance Changes**

- Establish Times
  - Cart Set Out Time
  - Cart Returned to House
- Location of Carts for Collection to Occur
  - Carts May Not be Placed Closer than 6' to Mailboxes
  - Carts May Not be Placed Closer than 3' to Other Objects
- Addressing Over Filled Containers and Bulky Items
- Collection of Bags Outside of the Cart(s)
- Carts Used by Others to Avoid Fees
- Lost, Damaged, or Stolen Carts

## **Potential Ordinance changes**

- Cleaning and Maintenance of Carts
- Change to Ordinance which Provides Trash Bag Vouchers
- Address Multiplex Units to Define Between Cart Use and Dumpster Use

## Council Questions



## **PILOT Project Overview**

Roll Cart Pilot Project Columbia Public Works John Glascock, P.E., Director Richard Wieman, Solid Waste Utility Manager