

CITY OF AUBURN
RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS – ATTACHMENT A TO ADDENDUM #1
August 15, 2016

Section	Hauler	Question	Response	Action
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	The total service fee for Commercial extras is pre-populated with \$4.00, yet the total service fee for Residential extra is not. Is it the city's intention to set the Commercial extra rate and not the Residential or is this an oversight?	That was an oversight. The residential extra fee should also be \$4.00.	The attached Form 2a has been corrected.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	The weekly 35-gal Cart Subscription Compostables Service allows for the disposal, collection, and total service fee but the 64-gal, 96-gal, 1-year, and 2-yard only allow for total service fee as the other columns are blacked-out. Is this the format the city would like to see?	No, only the total service fee is desired for all service levels.	The attached Form 2a has been corrected.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	Commercial Detachable Container (compacted); 1-cubic yard through 6-cubic yard containers: Typically, these services are priced with a monthly rate structure. Was it the City's intention to price these services only on a per pick-up basis.	Yes. Compacted detachable containers are leased by customers outside of this contract and thus there is no month rate component for container use. Since some customers have collection frequencies that vary from weekly service (either less more frequent), it makes sense to charge per-pickup and the City will invoice customers based on a per-pickup fee.	No change.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	Do the quantities listed in this column include both Waste Management and Republic Services counts?	Yes.	No change.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	Residential Bid Alternative #3 states "Embedded Every-other-week Compostables" yet page 5 of the RFB states this alternative as Weekly Recycling Collection. Would the city please clarify what alternative services the bidder should propose?	The Form 2a instructions are correct and the Form 2a has been revised to indicate that alternative #3 is "Weekly Recycling Collection."	The attached Form 2a has been corrected.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	Residential bid Alternative #4 states "Embedded Compostables Collection" yet Page 5 of the RFB states this alternative as Embedded Weekly Year-around Compostables Collection. Would the city please clarify what alternative services the bidder should propose?	Page 5 of the RFP and the Form 2a instructions are correct and the Form 2a has been revised to indicate that alternative #4 is "Embedded Weekly Year-around Compostables Collection."	The attached Form 2a has been corrected.
RFP Form 2a	Waste Management	Commercial Drop-box Collection, Ancillary Fees: Stand-by Time (per minute): This service is pre-populated with \$1.60 which is lower than the current rate of \$2.50. Would the city please provide its calculations for the pre-populated amount.	The listed rate reflects the average of current hourly rates for rolloff trucks as proposed in Renton's recent procurement. In that procurement, proponents' hourly rates for rolloff trucks ranged from \$82.59 to \$106.83, with an average of the four companies equal to \$95.00/hour. The \$1.60/minute used in Auburn's RFB is equivalent to \$96.00/hour, which is very close to the industry average proposed in Renton. The current \$2.50 equates to \$150/hour, which is higher than any of the hourly	No change.

			rates provided in recent procurements.	
Draft Contract Section 3.2.5.1	Waste Management	The Draft contract requires all properly prepared Recyclables listed in Attachment C for Multifamily and Commercial Customers, shall be collected as part of the basic Garbage collection services, without extra charge and without limit. Does the unlimited feature include drop-box and compactor customers?	Yes.	No change.
Draft Contract Section 4.2 Compensation Adjustments	Waste Management	We have not been able to identify where the contract allows for the “pass-through” of King County Disposal Fee increases. Is there language in the contract allowing for disposal rate increase/decrease pass-throughs? If so, please point out the section/area where that specific verbiage resides?	That section is missing in the draft contract.	The draft contract will be revised to include the following new section 4.2.2: Periodic adjustments shall be made to Contractor collection rates to reflect increases or decreases in County disposal fees for Garbage. In the event of a change in disposal fees, the disposal fee component of rates charged to Customers shall be adjusted, based on percentage increase or decrease in disposal fee applied to the disposal components included in Attachment B of this Contract. Disposal fee changes shall be effective on the date of the County’s implementation, provided that the Contractor has provided Customers proper notification of the change in accordance with State law. An example of rate modifications due to disposal fee changes is provided in Attachment E. The existing section 4.2.2 will become section 4.2.3 and subsequent sections will be renumbered accordingly.
Draft Contract Section 4.2 Compensation Adjustments	Waste Management	The current city contract with Waste Management allows applicable drop-box/compactor disposal fees charged to customers to be marked up by 15%. The purpose of this contract provision is to help cover the administrative costs involved with processing King County disposal fees and to avoid cross-subsidization from residential and commercial customers. Will the city continue to allow this assessment?	The City allowed the 15% margin on drop-box disposal fees in its current contract in consideration of the overall contract package negotiated at that time. In this new contract, the City would like its contractor to include all associated administrative costs for drop-box service (including managing disposal fee pass-throughs) to be included in the haul charge, similar to the arrangement used by the WUTC. Tipping fees are increasing and drop-box customers would be adversely affected by the continuation of a significant mark-up on disposal fees.	No change.
Draft Contract Definitions	Waste Management	To our knowledge and after contacting our vendors, all we found is a 12-gallon cart produced by Norsemen with the dimensions of 12” wide x 11” deep x 27” high. Is the 12-gallon acceptable? If not, do you have a specific vendor who produces 13-gallon carts?	A 12-gallon cart is acceptable.	The contract will be changed to allow either a 12 or 13 gallon cart.
General	Waste Management	King County is anticipating a January 1, 2017 disposal fee increase of \$140/ton. Would the City please confirm when the bidder submits its rates that we use the current disposal rate or the not yet approved 1/1/17 disposal rate?	The 2017 County disposal fee change has not been finalized as of the date of this addendum. Please use the existing disposal fee of \$120.17 in your bid. The rates will be adjusted in Fall 2017 to reflect County-approved 2018 disposal fees.	No change.