

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

#### RE: CURBSIDE WASTE AND RECYCLING PICKUP WILL PROCEED WITH OPT OUT OPTION

Dear Homeowner,

You are receiving this letter because you have registered to opt out of the Curbside Pickup program. Council is pleased to inform you that your request to opt-out of the program has been approved.

In our planning process, we heard many homeowners request the choice to be able to opt out of this service. Because of this, we explored whether this was feasible and asked residents who wanted to opt out of service to register with us via an online or paper form.

1098 of the 2,790 homes in the service area registered to opt out of service. When consulted, the proposed curbside pickup contractor said they would be able to maintain their original bid per household of \$105 plus up to 2% for inflation per year for a period of five years with the smaller number of 1692 households in the service area.

The service plan has been amended to remove the properties that requested to opt out of curbside pickup. The service plan and by-law received first reading on March 27, 2018 and now require approval by the Manitoba Municipal Board, who is expected to complete deliberations this spring.

We have included more information on the reverse side of this letter. Should you have any further questions or concerns feel free to contact our office for further clarification.

Yours truly,

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# I've change my mind. How can I be included in this program?

If you want to receive curbside pickup, contact our office at 204-482-3300 within 30 days of this notice (by Friday, April 27, 2018) and staff will gladly assist you.

# What happens if I want to join the program later?

If at some point, you want to opt in after curbside service has started, there will be a \$25.00 fee for administration and to transport the waste and recycling carts to your residence. The service costs will be prorated (reduced depending on the number of months left in the service year) depending on what time of year you sign up.

## What's the next step? Can I object to this By-law if I opted out of service?

The next step in the proposed curbside pickup approval process is to provide public notice to the ratepayers that are <u>included</u> in the special service plan advising they can make objection to the Municipal Board in writing within 30 days of the notice (by Friday, April 27, 2018).

The Municipal Board has a list of residents who made an objection prior to or at the Public Hearing held on January 29, 2018 as well as a list of residents who registered to opt out. Should you wish to file an objection to the Municipal Board even though your residence is no longer included in the service proposal you may do so in writing to the Secretary to The Municipal Board, 1144 – 363 Broadway, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3N9, within 30 days of the date of this notice.

### How can I be sure my property has been excluded from this program?

To ensure your property has been excluded from the service proposal we ask that you either visit our website at www.rmofstclements.com/trash/bylaw or our office to review Schedule "B" to By-law 3-2018.

### How can I get more information?

Please visit our website at rmofstclements.com/trash or call 204-482-3300 for full information on this program.

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