

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

## Residential and Commercial Refuse Customers

The City Code of Ordinances Chapter 13.20 *Solid Waste Disposal and Sanitation*, outlines the regulations of collection, processing, recovery, and disposal of solid waste to protect the safety, health and welfare of the environment and community.



## Ordinance 13.20.030 Litter and sanitation

(g) ...Containers shall be maintained in as functional and safe a condition as provided by the municipality and the municipality may require containers be periodically cleaned as a condition of the solid waste collection service.

## Ordinance 13.20.040 Solid waste collection service

- (d) It is the recipient's responsibility to ensure solid waste in the container is <u>not loose</u> and is secured in a disposable bag or box or other means, and for ensuring the container is <u>fully closed</u> at the time of collection.
- (1) The municipality <u>may refuse service</u> to properties for failure to: ...keep the container unobstructed from snow or other barriers to collection. (e.g. a vehicle or equipment is blocking access to the container)
- (e) All putrescible waste shall be drained of surplus liquids and sealed in watertight bags before being placed in the container. ...improperly sealed items will not be collected.

"Putrescible solid waste" means organic solid waste matter capable of being decomposed by microorganisms, including but not limited to food waste, used diapers, animal waste, animal carcasses and hides.

Containers will not be serviced if they are obstructed or contain putrescible waste. The City recommends cleaning out your container every few months.

