

# Should City be involved in trash collection?

## Reasons to do it

- Save Residents Money
  - 25-50% Savings/yr
  - Increase competition with scale
- Reduce Wear and Tear on Road System
  - Question on level of effect
- Improved Quality Of Service for City/Residents
  - Handle complaints
  - Lack of city control of contractors
- Increased Services Including HHW Collection
  - Have it in NOHAZ
- Improve Public Safety
- Long Term Goals for City
  - Environmental Responsibility
  - Prepare/ Plan for Imminent Decrease in Landfills and Increase in Disposal Costs
  - Assist Oakland County / MDEQ with Solid Waste Planning
- Eliminate unsightly trash out every day of week in community
- Utilize existing staff
  - Is this possible
- Reduced Ordinance Enforcement
  - City checks licensed hauler trucks
- State considers essential service
- Recycling
- Difficulty changing haulers for residents

## Reasons to say no

- No new taxes concerns
- Philosophy
  - Socialistic
  - Unamerican
  - "Nanny state"
  - Freedom
  - Desire for resident control
    - Choice of hauler
  - Eliminating competition
- Impact on Government Size
  - Streamline govt
  - Impact of big government
  - Creating bureaucracy in city
    - Billing
- Provision to opt out
  - Snowbirds
  - Completely opt out
  - Choosing options rather than high end plan
- What about current contracts
- Some People don't want it
  - Question on number
  - Not allowing voters to decide
  - Not quality of life issue
- How do we protect people on fixed income
- Capability of contractors to handle city
- Teaser contract rates
- Other communities have trouble
  - Northville Township
  - Fixed with new contractor
- Government authority
  - Could it be legally challenged