



October 31, 2023

Subject: **City of Plymouth Prospective Garbage Haulers  
Curbside Collection of Source Separated Organics Materials Update**

Prospective Haulers,

As you are aware, the curbside collection of source separated organic materials (SSOM) in Hennepin County is a dynamic situation. We, at the City, are balancing the requirements and mandates, while providing the highest level of service to our residents possible.

On September 26<sup>th</sup>, the City Council directed staff to coordinate a City-wide and City led curbside collection of SSOM, with both collection and billing for the service to be coordinated by the City. As of the writing of this letter, this agreement has progressed to implementing city led SSOM the first week of March. The Council is expected to vote on approving the agreement for city led SSOM in November 2023.

Until the Council takes action, the current ordinance shall govern, and haulers are required to offer collecting SSOM to garbage customers in 2024. Assuming the city led collection of SSOM is approved, licensed garbage haulers will not have to provide the private curbside collection of SSOM starting on March 3, 2024, or date later specified, at which point the city will assume curbside collection of SSOM.

In practical terms, this means garbage haulers licensed in 2024 will need to continue offering the collection of SSOM to customers until March 3, 2024, or date later specified. In the event the Council does not approve the city-led agreement, then curbside collection of SSOM by private haulers shall remain for the duration of the 2024 licensing period.

Thank you again for your cooperation and patience with the project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Chris McKenzie'.

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