

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
INFORMAL MEETING NOTES
JULY 20, 2020

Mayor Stanley called the July 20, 2020 Informal Meeting of the Joplin City Council to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Discussion on Residential Curbside Trash and Recycling Pick-Up

Assistant Public Works Director of Operations Lynden Lawson and Joplin Recycling Coordinator Lindsay James presented the following information for this discussion.

Current Trash Pickup Data:

- There are over 17, 500 residences served by Republic Services.
- Trash rate is \$12.41
 - Unlimited bins, includes bulky items and yard waste
- Curbside Recycling rate is \$4.95
- Free valet for elderly or disabled
- Contract expires March 21, 2021

Looking Ahead

- Request for Proposals will go out August 9, 2020
- A mandatory pre-proposal meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2020
- Notice to Award contract will be January 1, 2021
- Service will begin April 1, 2021

What will stay the same

- Valet services – currently 827 served
- Billing through the City along with sanitary sewer
- Yard waste
- Tree branches
- Bulky items
- City-wide programs

What may change

- Prices likely to increase due to:
 - National trend of increased trash & recycling costs
 - Joplin's current trash prices exceptionally low
 - Charges for additional carts

After discussion, the City Council directed Staff to pursue bids with options for charges with and without additional carts; and an option that includes curbside recycling.

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk