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**ORDINANCE NO. 1484**

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, ESTABLISHING FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IMPROVED TRASH CART PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus is implementing an improved trash collection system to provide more effective and efficient solid waste services for its customers.

**WHEREAS**, the City has purchased trash carts for all residential customers at no cost to the customer.

**WHEREAS**, the City will fully implement its updated solid waste services with new poly carts as of January 1, 2022.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Code of Ordinances for the City of Columbus, Kansas Sec. 34-30. - Collection areas and pick-up frequency; dumpster rental and pick-up service, and Ordinance Number 1469 shall be amended as follows:

(a) *Pick-up for residential or home business customers; fire zone.* Residential, business or home business customers situated outside the designated fire zone shall receive garbage pick-up service one time per week. Residential, business or home business customers situated within the fire zone area shall receive daily pick-up services. The fire zone is defined as the downtown business district in the area between Walnut and Elm Streets on the north and south, and the area between Tennessee and Minnesota Streets on the east and west.

(b) *Dumpster rental and collection services are available.* Any business, organization, apartment complex, manufactured home park or individual desiring to use a dumpster for the collection of garbage shall secure a dumpster from the city. Customers shall contact city hall to arrange additional dumping services and schedules.

(c) ***Guidelines for trash carts.*** Effective January 1, 2022, the following rules shall apply to pick-up service for all customers with poly carts.

i. Garbage needs to be bagged or wrapped. The lids must be properly closed. Overflow garbage will not be picked up. If overflow garbage is causing the lid to remain open, the trash will not be picked up. Hold additional trash that does not fit in the cart until the next

trash day

ii. Carts must be properly placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on collection day to a location approximately 10 feet from vehicles; no more than 3 feet from the curb or street; approximately 5 feet from other objects (mailboxes, poles, other roll carts, etc.); oriented with the handle and wheels facing away from the street.

No later than 7:00 p.m. on collection day residents must remove empty carts.

iii. Trash fees are listed below in this Code at Section 34-51 and reflect fees for fire zone customers using **poly** carts - \$22.00 per month.


iv. Additional trash **poly** carts may be purchased for six dollars (\$6.00) per month with a two (2) cart maximum.

v. The customer will not be charged for cart repair or replacement due to normal wear and tear or contractor handling. The customer will be charged a fee for replacement carts due to damage caused by the customer.


**SECTION 2.** All ordinances, resolutions or policies or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed insofar as they conflict herewith.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Governing Body this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

  
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Grant Spieth, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Cheri Chancellor, City Clerk

