

MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Pompano Beach Commission

THROUGH: Greg Harrison, City Manager

COPIES: Brian Donovan, Deputy City Manager

FROM: Russell Ketchem, Solid Waste Manager

DATE: 6 March 2019

SUBJECT: Bulk Waste Services

In March 2016, the City changed the level of curbside bulk services for single family (houses), duplex and triplex dwellings to once per week service with a four cubic yard maximum. Other changes included a complimentary drop-off location for not only curbside accounts, but multifamily residents. This change was identified as a necessary step in increasing the curb appeal of city streets.

Many processes were implemented: the complimentary bulk materials drop-off location that residents (including residents from multifamily dwellings) can use; two dedicated solid waste Code Compliance officers; and educational outreach programs to the residents were developed and implemented. Compliance is easily accomplished when people are aware that four cubic yards (the maximum allowed) of material is equal in capacity to eight of the grey carts they have for garbage service. In fact, for the month, each property has the equivalent capacity of 32 grey carts.

Residents who live in single family (houses), duplex and triplex dwellings that produce large amounts of vegetation due to annual or semi-annual trimming of trees and shrubs have voiced their concerns over the size limits. Many times these residents place a minimal amount, or no amount, of bulk materials for removal each week. Therefore, there is a belief of being disenfranchised from services. Proposed Solution: In addition to the regularly scheduled once per week bulk service for single family (houses), duplex and triplex dwellings, create an option for residents to place larger amounts of bulk materials at the curb twice per calendar year at no additional cost, nor penalty. An internal database would be created to keep a log of residences. Note: This approach is currently being performed to provide condos with the twice per calendar year complementary bulk services. It is the belief of staff that there will be a minimal impact to the system if implemented.