



# **City of Cleveland Heights**

## Refuse & Recycling Task Force

**Initial Meeting**

**Thursday, April 18, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.**

**City Hall – Council Chambers**

# Objective

A thirteen person task-force created by council for the purpose of evaluating the City of Cleveland Heights' trash and recycling collection programs to ensure that the City is providing top-notch services at reasonable costs while ensuring the safety and health of both the public and the workforce with a goal of presenting a recommendation to City Council upon completion of the evaluation on how to proceed with providing refuse and recycling services.

# Background

- The City operates its own Refuse & Recycling Division
  - “Single operator collection” of curbside refuse and recycling
  - Loose bags are placed at the curb and collected by the operator
  - Serve approximately 15,000 residential units
  - Single Stream Recycling Collection
  - Bulk refuse and Dumpster Service (up to 8 cu yard size)
  - Source Separated Yard Waste Collection
  - Transfer station – receiving and transporting collected waste to the landfill via tractor trailers

# Members

- 10 Resident Members Appointed by City Council
  - Members shall appoint a chairperson
- 3 Staff Members Designated by the City Manager
  - Serve as advisory members
  - Will not vote or serve in the decision making process

# Meeting No. 1

- Administrative
  - Appoint Chair
  - Determine Meeting Frequency

# Meeting No. 2

- Review current operation
  - Facilities visit (Service Garage, Transfer Station, Equipment, etc.)
  - Discuss collection methods currently being employed

# Meeting No. 3

- Guest Speaker – Diane Bickett, Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District
  - General overview of other communities' operations
  - Discuss some of the challenges in the industry today
  - Discuss different methods of collection for refuse and recycling

# Meeting No. 4

- Recycling
  - Discuss current methods employed by the City
  - Discuss some of the challenges in the industry today
  - Discuss different methods of collection for recycling different materials

# Meeting No. 5

- Automated Collection
  - Discuss various methods of automated collection
  - Discuss the different types of equipment being offered on the market today and costs
  - Discuss the advantages and disadvantages

# Meeting No. 6

- Guest Speaker from a local agency
  - Discuss the agencies conversion to automated collection
  - Discuss some of the costs and methods of implementation
  - Discuss the advantages and disadvantages

# Meeting No. 7

- Working Session
  - Review and discuss options
  - Generate task force consensus
  - Create draft policy recommendations

# Meeting No. 8

- Working Session
  - Finalize policy recommendations



Thank you