



Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Letter to ECD

Overnight waste collection noise

Summary

Dear colleagues,

Overnight private waste collection, first permitted by this Council in 2022, has large financial advantages for the waste collection industry at the price of seriously disturbing sleep for some Torontonians. Staff recommend that the city should continue indefinitely to permit unlimited overnight private waste collection, promising to “work” with the industry through a voluntary process to address future noise complaints as they are received. However, they have not proposed any accountability for this voluntary process.

I hereby request that you require MLS to report back to Council in Q3 of next year on the effectiveness of this voluntary approach in resolving the real noise and sleep problems that this industry creates.

Recommendation

That City Council amend recommendation three of EC 16.4 by adding the following:

“and to report back to Council in Q3 of 2025 on the effectiveness of this work in eliminating overnight and/or early morning disturbances from private waste collection”

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