



**RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**SAINT PAUL GARBAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 3, 2022**



# Ramsey County Organics Collection

- Food scraps will be collected from residents using special bags called “food scrap bags.” They will be co-collected with trash and sorted after collection.
- The bags are durable and compostable, and thicker than compostable bags currently used at county drop-off sites and will break down along with their contents.
- There will be no charge to residents for bags or program participation. Bag distribution will occur through an online ordering system with a call-in option available for those without internet access.
- This is a voluntary, opt-in program.
- The County drop-off program for organics and non-recyclable paper will continue.



# Additional Fees

- How much do the haulers charge for extra bags?
  - All the haulers charge \$3.00 per bag.
  - The Agreement states the fee may be charged when the cart lid is open six (6) inches or more.
- How much do the haulers charge on the late fee?
  - Payments not received by the hauler by the due date, will incur a late fee of 5% and the end of each month of the billing cycle. Up to three late fees are possible per billing cycle.
  - At the end of the quarter, all unpaid bills are turned over to the City for assessment. The hauler can no longer take payment for that quarter.
- What is the “bad check” charge?
  - The haulers may charge \$30.00 for payments rejected due to insufficient funds



# Garbage Prices before Coordinated Collection

- Does the City have price information from before Coordinated Collection?

*Invoice breakdown by Can Size (Table 2)*

	Small (30-38 gallons)	Medium (50-68 gallons)	Large (90-96 gallons)
<i>Number of invoices</i>	118	68	28

*Monthly Price Breakdown Table (Table 3)*

	Small (30-38 gallons)	Medium (50-68 gallons)	Large (90-96 gallons)
<i>High monthly price</i>	\$ 53.65	\$ 58.52	\$ 59.72
<i>Average monthly price</i>	\$ 22.50	\$ 27.49	\$ 30.02
<i>Low monthly price</i>	\$ 10.33	\$ 9.17	\$ 18.87
<i>Median price</i>	\$ 22.00	\$ 27.19	\$ 27.23

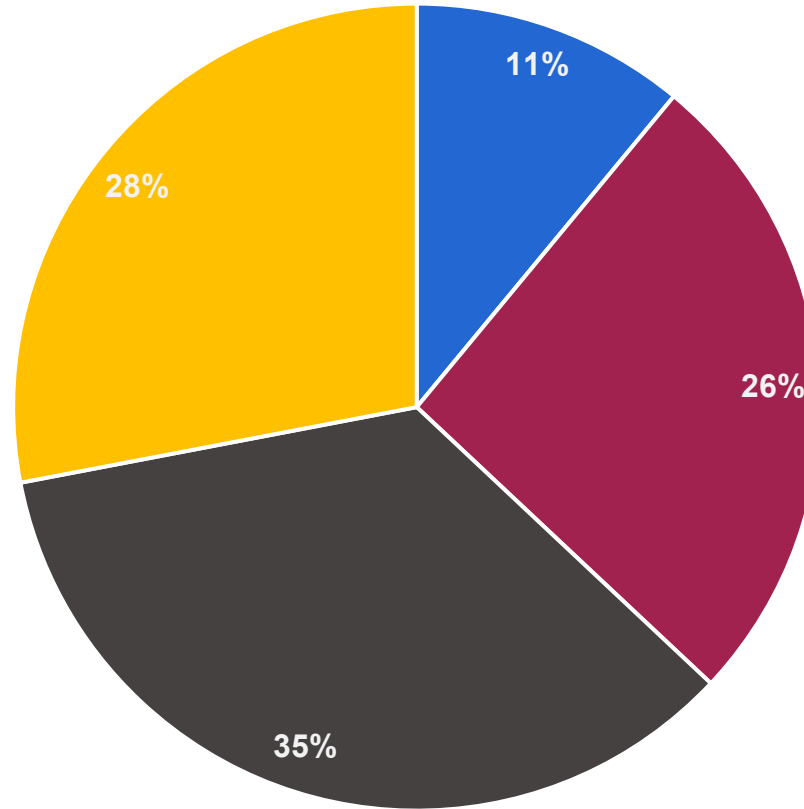
*High Price to Low Price Differential (Table 4)*

	Small (30-38 gallons)	Medium (50-68 gallons)	Large (90-96 gallons)
<i>Difference</i>	\$ 43.32	\$ 49.35	\$ 40.85



# Garbage Cart Distribution

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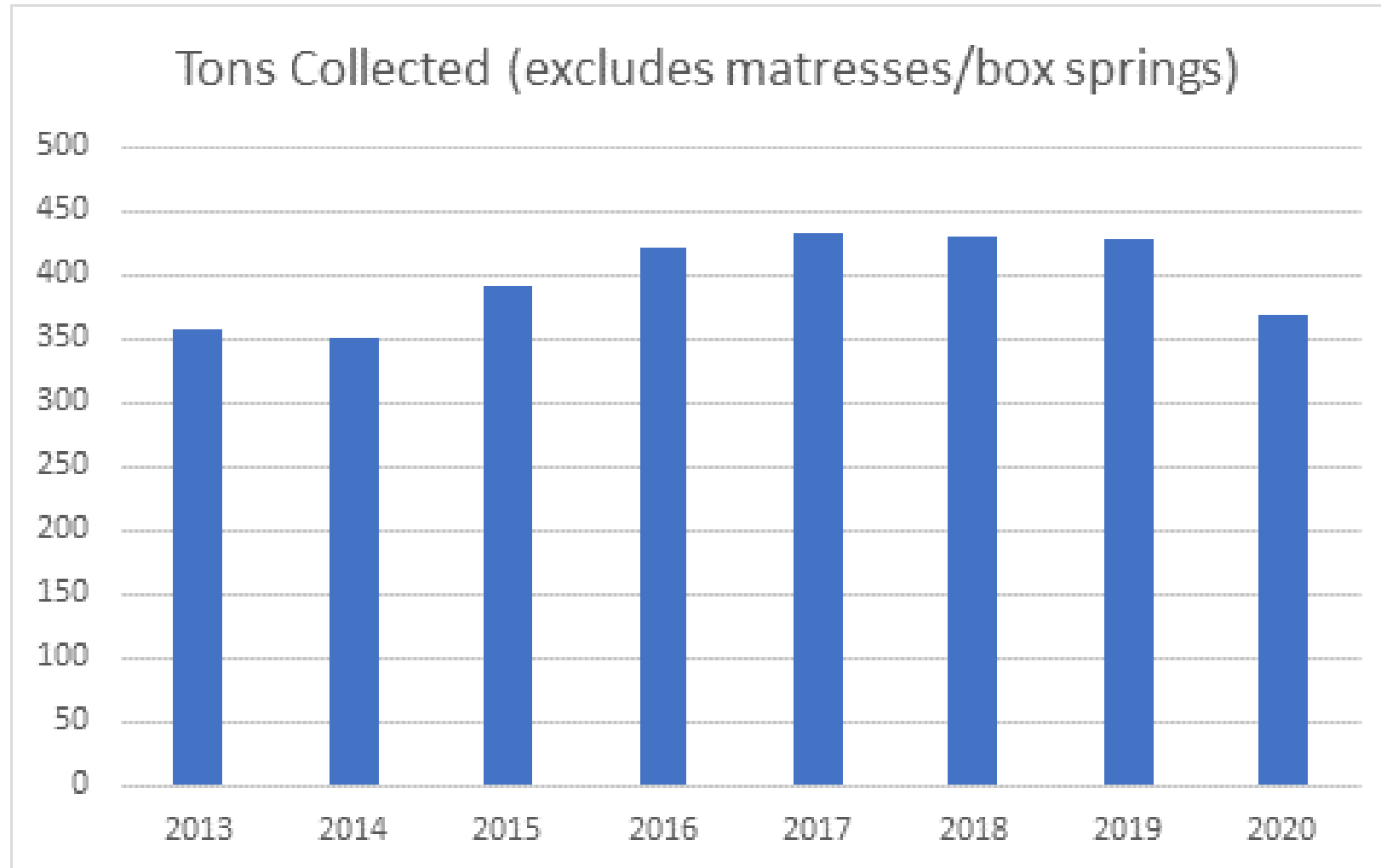


# 2022 Budget for Organized Garbage Collection

2022 Budget	
Employee Expenses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Persons, benefits (5 persons in Public Works)</li></ul>	\$483,487
Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assessment and bad-debt-related expenses (\$3,497,041)</li><li>• Phones, PCs, enterprise technology</li><li>• Graphics and printings, postage</li><li>• City services overhead (Public Works administration, IT, financial system)</li></ul>	\$3,847,336
Materials and Supplies <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carts</li><li>• Paper and computer supplies</li></ul>	\$147,229
Financing <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transfer to General Fund</li><li>• Transfer to Internal Service Fund</li><li>• Transfer to Debt Service Fund</li></ul>	\$971,972
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,449,975</b>

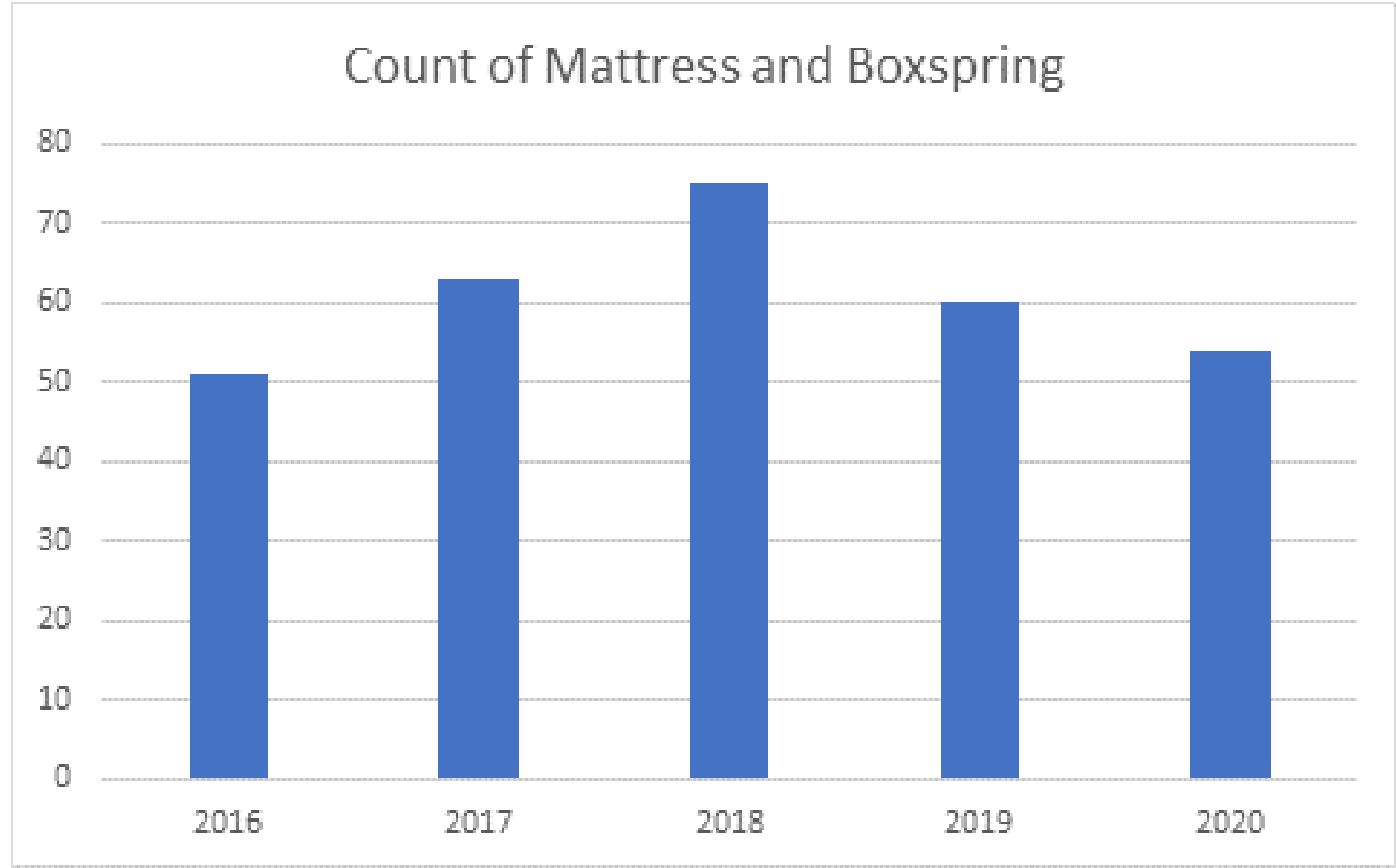


# Illegal Dumping





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# Questions & Discussion





# Garbage Advisory Committee Meetings

- Thursday, February 17, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, March 3, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
  - Presentation by Haulers' Consortium
- All meetings at Rondo Library in the Multipurpose Room or online through Teams