

INVITATION FOR BIDS
RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE HAULING AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

QUESTIONS RECEIVED – MARCH 21, 2024

(1) Is participation mandatory?

No. However, no other residential hauler would be permitted in Tazewell County.

(2) Term: You have the term at five successive 1-year periods. Due to the amount of capital involved, would you consider at a minimum one-5-year-term with an optional 5-year renewal?

This term is negotiable.

(3) You refer to contracts on page 2 - Section 6. Who would be signing the Contracts? Each individual Town? Is this only for the Incorporated Towns?

This contract would be for unincorporated areas of the County outside incorporated towns *and potentially* each town. Tazewell County may choose to include one or more Town(s). Tazewell County asks for a separate price for each Town to inform Tazewell County's negotiations with the Towns.

(4) Service would be 1x week? This would be with a 95-gallon cart? We just want to make sure everyone is bidding on the same service. Would you consider putting a Pricing sheet as a part of the RFP?

(a) Service would be once per week.

(b) The cart size would be determined by the vendor.

(c) No pricing sheet is included at this time

(5) With the potential scope of service, a 3/29 due date is a quick turnaround. Would you consider a two-week extension of that date so we may do our due diligence?

Tazewell County would not consider an extension at this time.

(6) Will the tipping fee for the residential trash be paid by Tazewell County?

Yes, the tipping fee will be paid by Tazewell County.

(7) Will billing for the customer service be sent directly to the customer or will it be sent directly to the County.

Billing for customer service would be sent directly to Tazewell County.

(8) Will the winning vendor be expected to provide service on July 1, 2024?

Tazewell County intends to award a contract by July 1, 2024; however, a start date for service would be negotiable.

(9) If July 1, 2024 is the start date – will the county be closing all the convenience centers at one time or will they gradually close the centers as they prepare different areas for the change to curbside pickup.

N/A, as July 1, 2024 is not the anticipated start date.

(10) Is there an estimated time frame for the change over from convenience centers for curbside pickup.

The time frame is negotiable, depending upon the state date.

(11) If the changeover is gradual – does the County know what order the districts will be changed from convenience centers to curbside.

The time frame is negotiable, depending upon the state date.

(8) Will the county take the lead in notifying the customers of the change by district or will it be the responsibility of the successful vendor.

Tazewell County will take the lead in notifying the public.