



City Seeks Input on Curbside Collection Operations

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DUBUQUE, Iowa – The City of Dubuque will kick-off a new project to evaluate its curbside collection of trash, recycling, organics and large item collection with an event at the Dubuque Farmers Market on Saturday, Sept. 8.

The City is collaborating with Foth, a science and engineering consulting firm, to review the City's curbside collection operations and start planning a path towards Zero Waste.

The study will review current curbside collection operations and evaluate potential options for automating the collection for trash (i.e. increase efficiency and safety of collections), seek community input to develop a path towards Zero Waste, and evaluate financial models for funding.

To launch the public engagement portion of the project, the City of Dubuque Public Works Department will host a "touch a truck" display from 7 a.m. to noon at this Saturday's Farmers Market. Residents are invited to stop by the display to share their thoughts on the curbside collection program and bring their family to see, touch, and safely explore one of Dubuque's curbside collection vehicles. They will have the opportunity to sit at the steering wheel, check out the controls, and meet some of the people who operate the vehicles each day to collect trash, recycling, organics (yard debris and food scraps) and large item collection throughout Dubuque.

Residents will also have the opportunity to share their thoughts on the curbside collection program and the path towards Zero Waste objective through an online survey that will be promoted through the City's Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor accounts (@CityOfDubuque) and by visiting www.cityofdubuque.org/curbsidecollectionsurvey. For more information, please contact the City of Dubuque Resource Management Coordinator and Supervisor at 563-589-4249 or asainci@cityofdubuque.org.

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