Truckee trash franchise changes coming in 2018

The Truckee council on Dec. 12 is expected to sign a 10-year agreement with Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal.

The new agreement includes significant changes to residential and commercial services.

The biggest service changes for residents will be the roll-out of containerized recyclable and yard trimming collection. Each household will receive a 64-gallon wheeled blue cart for all recyclables and a 96-gallon wheeled green cart for all yard waste. Recyclables and yard waste will be picked up curbside on alternating weeks. Residents have the option to opt out of recycling carts and continue to use blue bags.

There is, however, no opt out option for yard waste; all residents must use green carts as green bags will no longer be accepted after June 30.

The new services will also expand existing dumpster and dropoff services for yard waste. Other notable service changes include two new locations for recycling drop-off during the summer months and two free pick ups of large items per year.

These changes will reach residents over the next three years. All Truckee residents will receive yard waste carts in June for use beginning July 1. The Glenshire neighborhood will receive recyclables carts in September and begin with the new recycling service changes on Oct. 1, 2018. Remaining Truckee neighborhoods excluding Tahoe-Donner will start using blue carts in 2019. Tahoe-Donner residents will begin the new program in 2020.

All residents will continue to use their current trash cans for mixed waste materials.

Commercial customers will receive wildlife-resistant food waste carts that will be serviced up to three times a week.

The meeting starts at 6pm at the Truckee Town Hall.