



Township of North Kawartha

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Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Gary Gerald, Director of Parks and Recreation / Waste Management
Date: December 23, 2025
Subject: Curbside Garbage Collection Renewal

Recommendation:

The Township of North Kawartha exercise the curbside garbage collection agreement's final one year renewal from February 1, 2026, to January 31, 2027, with Waste Connections of Canada, for the amount of \$249,115.02, plus taxes and 7% fuel surcharge, only if applicable.

Background:

The Township's current agreement with Waste Connections of Canada for the collection of curbside garbage, is five-year agreement with an additional three one-year renewal options. The current five-year agreement started February 1, 2019, and ended January 31, 2024, at which time the three one-year renewal options become available.

It should be noted that a detailed RFP was prepared and circulated in 2018 for curbside garbage collection services, however Waste Connections was the only bid submission received.

Although Waste Connections was the only bid received for the current curbside collection contract, it was very competitive, maintained our Monday and Thursday collection days, and was committed to solving some of the private road and small fire route collection challenges that we often face in the summer.

Waste Connections also successfully navigated the additional collection experienced throughout COVID-19. In addition, Waste Connections was integral in assisting North Kawartha with their Debris Waste Management Plan following the 2025 Ice Storm.

Analysis:

At the November 7, 2023, regular meeting of Council, the Waste Connections curbside collection contract one-year renewal options from February 1, 2024 to January 31, 2027 were discussed. The Township has had a positive long-term working relationship and experience with Waste Connections. They have displayed a willingness to work with



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the Township to solve garbage collection challenges and ensure that Township garbage collection schedules stay aligned with recycling collection schedules, especially during the recent blue box recycling collection program changes. As an example, 'Monday' has always been the coveted collection day for all Townships that have a significant seasonal resident population. North Kawartha has been fortunate to maintain Monday garbage and recycling collection for a large portion of the Township.

That said, although the Township has already agreed in principle to approve and exercise the three one-year renewal options available with Waste Connections, a motion of Council is still required on an annual basis.

Therefore, as a housekeeping issue, it is recommended that a motion of Council be passed to exercise Waste Connection's curbside garbage collection agreement final one-year renewal option from February 1, 2026 to January 31, 2027, in the amount of \$249,115.02, plus taxes and 7% fuel surcharge, only if applicable.

Financial Implications:

Included in 2026 budget.

\$249,115.02 plus taxes and a 7% fuel surcharge (only if applicable).

Strategic and/or Other Plans:

- 3.2 Provide Quality Community Programs and Services.
- 4.1 Promote Responsible Environmental Stewardship.

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Attachment:

None