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City to Stop Curbside Recycling Until New Company is Selected

Curbside recycling services for residents in the City of Shreveport will be suspended temporarily effective Saturday, October 10, 2020. The collection of the \$2.50 recycling fee will be suspended after recycling services stop.

The City's recycling contract with Republic Services, the company that does the curbside pickup of recyclables, will expire October 9, 2020. Pratt Industries, the company that recycles the materials, provided notice last month that its single-stream recycling facility would close effective October 9, 2020. Additionally, notice was given that the last day for the employees at that recycling facility is October 19, 2020.

The City is in the process of requesting proposals for collection and disposal of recyclable material. The Recycle RFP began advertising last month at www.shreveportla.gov/solicitations and the deadline for submission is 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13th.

"We are hopeful that we will find a vendor based upon the RFP. Otherwise, recyclables will be sent to Woolworth Road Landfill until we acquire another contract," said CAO Henry Whitehorn.

While working to secure a new recycler, the Public Works Solid Waste Department will collect the recyclable materials as trash.

"We are asking everyone to place all of their waste in the green trash cans until a new contract is in place," said Gary Norman, Public Works Director. "This will help Solid Waste be more efficient in collecting the trash."

Customers with questions regarding recycling should call, (318) 673-5510.

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