

Proposed City Code Changes:

Amending Exceptions to Residential Solid Waste Collection

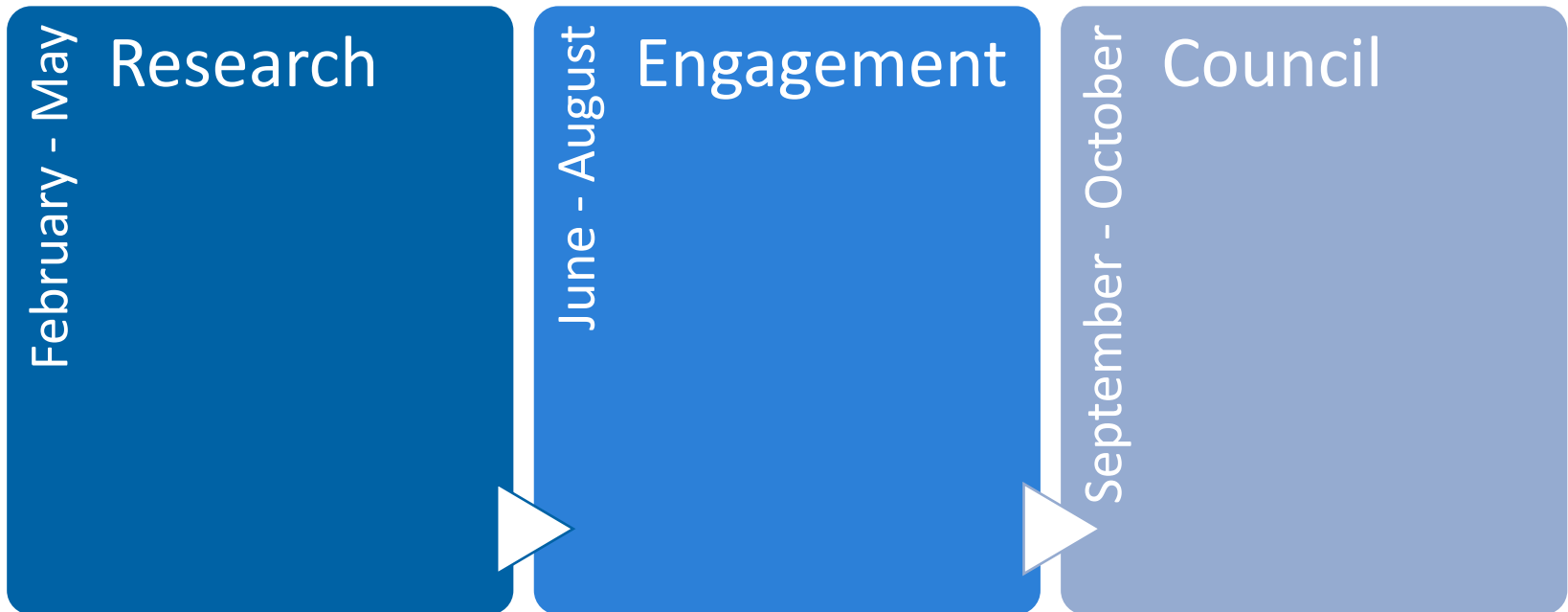
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Timeline for Code Proposal



Junk Removal Services

- Currently unregulated in Portland.
- Includes items such as furniture, appliances and accumulated items in storage areas.
- Employees manually remove materials from the property.



Special Items Collection

- Doorstep service, includes items for reuse, some non-curbside plastics, batteries and light bulbs.
- Recycling markets are stable, however, for sorting reasons, cannot be included in the blue carts.



Bottle Bill Containers

- Currently City Code does not acknowledge informal sector “canners”.
- Common practice and one that is a source of supplemental income.



Why are we taking this up now?

- As collection authority, the City needs to cease these services, or recognize them as exceptions to the franchise in the Code.
- These exceptions maintain current services and provide opportunity for small businesses.
- Rates for residential customers will not increase – special items collection is a subscription service chosen by residential customers.



Addressing Equity in our Waste System

BPS continues to research and develop future programs and policies to address inequities in the solid waste system in the following areas:

- Public trash can collection.
- Solid waste and recycling services for City-owned facilities.
- Multifamily solid waste and recycling and bulky waste collection services.





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