

# NOTICE TO CITY OF AZTEC UTILITY CUSTOMERS

## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO YOUR TRASH SERVICE

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The current agreement with our current provider, WCA, expires at the end of February 2019. The City of Aztec requested proposals (RFP) to include solid waste services and options for curb side single stream recycling in October 2018. The City received two proposals, one from Waste Management of New Mexico and one from WCA. An evaluation committee independently evaluated the proposals and submitted a recommendation to the City Commission. RFP 2019-672 Municipal Solid Waste Services was awarded to Waste Management of New Mexico during the regular commission meeting of January 22, 2019. Effective March 1, 2019, Waste Management of New Mexico will be the exclusive (sole, authorized, permitted – something to convey no other company authorized to haul solid waste in Aztec) solid waste provider for the City of Aztec.

Solid waste rates for customers will increase with the new agreement. The new rates will be effective March 22, 2019. Residential customers will see an increase of \$3.47 for the first cart. If you have additional residential cart, you will see an increase of \$0.18 for each additional cart. The new rates will be \$14.00 for one cart and \$5.25 for each additional cart.

A transitional phase will occur and consist of WCA conducting their final trash pickup and removal of the blue and gray carts. Waste Management will then deliver new green carts for continued trash pickup. You may have carts and dumpsters from both companies for a few days, while the exchange takes place. Once you receive the green cart or dumpster, please use it for your trash disposal. We are asking that you not use the blue or gray WCA cart or WCA dumpster once you have received the green Waste Management cart and or dumpster. Please note, WCA cannot pick up carts with trash in them. The cart and dumpster exchange is planned for the last week of February. Your trash pickup day may change, but when your new cart is placed, it will have information attached regarding your pickup day. We hope that this will be a smooth transition. However, we realize there could be some glitches along the way. We are asking for your cooperation during this transition.

The City of Aztec is very excited for this new partnership as it brings new offerings to our residents.

Free access to the San Juan County Landfill (managed by WM) to all residents 6 times per year.

2 - Community-Wide Clean-up events to be held in the spring and fall.

2 - E-waste (Electronic) clean-up that will be held in conjunction with the community clean-ups.

2 - Free Bulky item pickup, such as furniture, mattresses, and appliances at your location.

2 - Free Green Waste (grass clippings, leaves, weeds, branches up to 4 feet in length) pickups/year.

A local website will be created for Aztec Residents to access online information regarding their trash service.

The City of Aztec continues to assess our recycling options. The option for curb-side recycling to our residents is available but is an additional cost to customers which would be assessed to all Residents whether you recycle or not. The City will continue to operate the Recycle Center located at 303 S Ash in Aztec until a decision is made on Recycling in Aztec.

You will be receiving a brochure from Waste Management of New Mexico that will contain more information regarding our trash service and other services available to our community. We will also continue to update the City's website [www.aztecnm.gov](http://www.aztecnm.gov) with information as it becomes available.

If you have questions, please call our office at 505-334-7670.