## Alternative Methods to Collect Yard Materials

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<td>Landscaper haul away</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>On private property</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Minimal – advising customers about their option to contact a private landscaper to haul away materials</td>
<td>• No major challenges anticipated.</td>
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<td>Customer contacts a landscape company to haul away landscape debris.</td>
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| Junk Removal Business                        | Yes                    | Depending on the company chosen, the price will vary. Estimates received from three different companies to haul away two 5’x5’x5’ piles ranged from $126 to $350 with average cost of $275 | On private property | None               | Minimal – advising customers about their option to contact a private landscaper to haul away materials | • Junk Removal Company may mix the yard materials collected with other trash already collected, sending the whole load to the landfill.  
• If this is advertised as an option and yard materials are landfilled, diversion rates may drop. |
| Additional organics carts                    | Yes                    | Currently $5.27 per additional cart per month          | No piles are necessary for this option | None               | Minimal – reminding customers that this is an option                           | • Some customers have reported a lack of space for additional carts                                       |
| Recology Davis Drop-box                     | Yes                    | 20 yd³ = $178.42 + $54 per ton  
30 yd³ = $217.45 + $54 per ton  
40 yd³ = $284.63 + $54 per ton | On City street or private property                     | None               | Minimal – reminding customers that this is an option                           | • Drop boxes may become contaminated with illegal dumping debris if left out at the curb.  
• Good solution for short-term large clean-up projects, but not for longer-term collection.                  |
| Customer contacts Recology Davis to order a drop-box for green waste |                      |                                                        |                     |                    |                                                                                |                                                                                                           |
| Christmas tree collection                   | No                     | Unknown. Costs include the staff time to coordinate the program, collect the trees and the landfill tipping fees. | On City street or private property | Moderate—tagging trees that have stands, flocking and ornaments. Tagging piles that are left out along with trees. | Moderate - to let customers know about the program, sell the tags and coordinate with a company to collect the trees. | • City may have to go through an RFP process to select a contractor to haul the trees  
• Billing and fee collection will take staff time  
• Cost to purchase compostable tags                                                                       |
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| **Free Christmas tree collection**  
Customers place trees at the curb on the selected week for a one-time free pick-up by Recology Davis. Recology Davis would pick-up trees only, not yard debris. Trees would have to be without flocking, ornaments and tree stands. | **No.**  
*Trees are accepted in yard material piles as part of the on-street collection program.* | **On City street**  
Should be less than the cost of one week of LITS service, since not every household will have a tree and the tipping fees would be less since less material is collected. | **Moderate**  
Trees that have stands, flocking and ornaments. Tagging piles that are left out along with trees. | **Minimal to let customers know about the program.** | • If only trees are collected, there would be few challenges. |
| **City contract with a landscaper**  
An on-call service where the customer contacts the City or landscaper to schedule a pick-up of yard materials. | **No** | **On City street or private property**  
High – the landscaper would need to ensure that they have proper equipment and employees to handle the potential demand. | **Extensive enforcement**  
Pile placement, timing and illegal dumping issues. Enforcement will be more difficult— with each pile that is found on the street, staff out in the field must contact the landscaper to see if this customer has already schedule a pick-up or not. | **Moderate** – advising customers about their options and requirements for pile placement when utilizing this service. | • City would have to go through an RFP process to select a contractor to haul the yard waste  
• Billing and fee collection will take staff time.  
• Staff time to manage the landscaper contract  
• If piles are placed on private property, the City may be required to assume liability for any property damage as result of collection |
| **City crew collection (either parks or transportation staff)**  
An on-call service where customers contact the City to schedule a pick-up of yard materials. | **No** | **On City street**  
High – the city would need to invest in equipment associated with large-scale material pickup, and look to hire additional staff. The city also has overhead that will drive costs. | **Extensive enforcement**  
Pile placement, timing and illegal dumping issues. Enforcement will be more difficult— with each pile that is found, staff out in the field must contact the office to see if this customer has already schedule a pick-up or not. | **Moderate** – advising customers about their options and requirements for pile placement when utilizing this service. | • City compensation concerns, as task is not currently covered by job descriptions.  
• Additional staff FTE or TPT would be needed  
• Potential concerns regarding city staff conducting garbage union jobs  
• City would need to purchase vehicles to collect yard waste |
| Recology Davis Opt-in Option | No | High | Extensive enforcement needed. Pile placement, timing and illegal dumping issues. Enforcement will be more difficult—with each pile that is found, staff must look up their service to see if this customer has opted in for service or not. | Moderate to high, depending on the frequency of service and complexity of the service schedule. Need to explain how to opt-in, to discourage illegal dumping and to send different outreach messages for opt-in vs opt-out households. | • Service collection issues—how to drivers determine which homes to collect in • Illegal dumping in front of opt-in homes • If neighbors car is parked too close to an opt-in customers pile, their service is skipped, causing conflict • 7 year commitment to Recology for capital investments for claw and loaders |

An opt-in service where customers enroll with Recology Davis to be included in regular scheduled pick-ups of yard materials.

**need to reach those opt-in thresholds to receive price point, otherwise higher**