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Resolution of Rogers Park Community Council

Advocating for continued alley garbage **and recycling** pick-up in Rogers Park subdivision

Whereas:

1. In 2011, Solid Waste Services (SWS) intended to begin automated **curb-side** garbage pick-up in Rogers Park areas where there was currently alley pick-up,
2. Curb-side pick-up would have greatly inconvenienced many residents who:
 - a. have obstacles (such as stairs) between the street curb and their houses,
 - b. have no out-of-sight place to store garbage cans in their front or side yards, or
 - c. have no access, or limited winter-time access, between the street curb and side yard or back yard garbage can storage areas
3. Garbage cans would have been stored in locations visible from the street, which would have reduced property values,
4. The Municipality would have had a reduced incentive to plow snow and grade the alleys if garbage pick-up was moved to the street curb,
5. Automated garbage pick-up was being done in alleys in other areas of the city (so it was, indeed, feasible),
6. After a long, difficult negotiations, RPCC successfully advocated for continuing alley garbage pick-up,
7. SWS has continued alley garbage pick-up in most areas of Rogers Park subdivision since late 2013, and has not expressed any concerns to RPCC about alley pick-up since beginning those operations,
8. In 2015, the Municipality of Anchorage floated the concept of selling SWS to a private company,
9. At this time, RPCC is not endorsing or opposing the sale of SWS, but RPCC is concerned that if SWS is sold, then a private company might eliminate alley pick-up,

Now therefore, **if SWS is to be sold**, then be it resolved that Rogers Park Community Council requests the Municipality of Anchorage to include non-negotiable language in the sales contract requiring all private companies to continue trash **and recycling** pick-up in the alleys of Rogers Park subdivision, in perpetuity.