
**VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE
BOARD REPORT**

TO: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: BRENT EICHELBERGER, VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION: ESTABLISHING HOURS RESIDENTIAL
REFUSE/RECYCLING TOTES MAY BE CURBSIDE
AGENDA: FEBRUARY 18, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2020

ISSUE

Discussion of establishing restricted hours that residential refuse/recycling totes may be placed at the curb.

DISCUSSION

The Village occasionally receives complaints regarding the length of time residential refuse/recycling totes are left at the curb before or after pick-up. While the Village states that totes should be placed at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m. the morning of service, there are currently no limits as to when totes may be put out and when they should be removed. Some Sugar Grove homeowners associations reportedly have private restrictions, but staff has not confirmed.

Some neighboring communities limit the hours that refuse/recycling totes may be placed at the curb including Naperville, Batavia, Geneva and Montgomery. In these municipalities, totes may generally be placed at the curb no earlier than the evening before the day of collection and must be removed by 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. the day of service. Other municipalities such as Elburn and Yorkville do not have restrictions.

In municipalities that have restricted hours, compliance is usually handled through Code Enforcement. The Village of Sugar Grove employs one part-time Code Enforcement Officer during the summer months as the budget allows.

While Village staff does not track the number of tote concerns received, a survey of staff indicated that only a few have been made in the past.

Given the limited number of complaints, limited staff and the difficulties in enforcing the rules, Village staff does not recommend establishing hours.

COST

There is no cost to hold the discussion to establish hours, however, should the Board chose to limit hours, there will be legal costs to review the ordinance of approximately \$150.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board not establish hours residential refuse/recycling totes may be placed at the curb.