

# WALNUT GROVE FOREST HILL ASSOCIATION

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Dear Homeowner,

At the annual Walnut Grove Forest Hill Association meeting, the Board of Directors agreed to research various waste disposal companies in preparation for the 2021 de-annexation and hold a meeting to convey our recommendation. Unfortunately, due to the covid-19 restrictions, we cannot hold the meeting. This letter will serve as means to communicate our recommendation.

**The Process:** Waste proposals were solicited from multiple waste collection companies with the following goals:

- Maintain current array of services for: waste collection, yard debris, recycle, and bulk items.
- Promote uniform selection of a consistent provider to support:
  - Single day for garbage placement at the street
  - Reduced days with truck noise and traffic
  - Reduced wear and tear on neighborhood streets
  - Increased community voice regarding service expectation

**The Recommendation:** Based on these goals and detailed review of submitted proposals, the Board encourages residents to select Home Town Disposal for waste management services.

Home Town Disposal services include:

- \$21 per month for weekly pickup of: waste container, yard debris (limit 5 regular size bags) and tree debris (tied & bundled; limit 3ft X 5ft )
- \$12 Optional weekly recycle
- \$8 per month for a second waste container from Home Town Disposal or you can purchase a second container from a local store and Home Town Disposal will pick-up for no additional fee
- Additional fee will be determined by volume/weight when tree debris exceeds 3ft X 5ft or when more than 5 regular size bags of debris
- Additional fee for furniture - typically \$20 - \$30 per item or determined by volume/weight
- Set price of \$21 for waste for 2 years, not to increase (if at all) by more than \$1 a month for a given year through 2025 (ex: 2023 maximum \$22; 2024 maximum \$23; 2025 maximum \$24)
- Home Town Disposal trash and recycle pick-up day is Wednesday.

Home Town Disposal's recycle truck will not systematically dump every recycle container. Instead their workers will visually inspect the recycle container contents. If there is waste, plastic bags (no recycle item should be in a plastic bag), or yard debris in the recycle container, it will not be emptied. The resident will need to either pull out the non-recyclable item or place a note to dump the container in the waste truck the following week. **When in doubt, place the item in the waste container.**

Please visit their website for information on payment, service, holiday schedule, and recycle:

**Act Now:** The City of Memphis' final day to pick up our trash and recycle is December 30<sup>th</sup>. They will also remove both containers. There are approximately 1,600 residents in South Cordova that will be de-annexed and will need waste services. **Contact Home Town Disposal by December 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure that you have a waste container delivered by the last week of December. Don't wait and risk not having a waste container for your New Year's Eve trash. See the enclosed Home Town Disposal flyer for contact information and special one-time discount. When you call, inform them that you are a Walnut Grove Forest Hill Association resident to ensure you receive this rate and a Wednesday pick up**

If your home is rented, please make sure that you notify your tenant or management company of this change, so that your tenant can make arrangements through Home Town Disposal for their trash removal on January 1, 2021.

### **Additional De-Annexation Information:**

Based on current understanding, de-annexation will affect the MLGW bill.

- Possible changes to/removal of City of Memphis Street Light fee
- Removal of Solid Waste Fee
- New Shelby County Fire Fee (fee based on square footage of your home)
- City of Memphis Storm Water Fee may be replaced by the Shelby County Storm Water Fee
- City of Memphis Sewer Charge will remain: it was on the MLGW bill prior to annexation

For additional information, watch the video on the City of Memphis' de-annexation website:

<https://memphistn.gov/government/deannexation>

If you have questions, please contact your Board representative or the At-Large member.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

WGFHA Board of Directors