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Dear Neighbors:

Please read the following information carefully, as it involves new procedures for rubbish collection:

Automated Rubbish Collection

In mid-November, the City of Lyndhurst will implement automated rubbish collection. This system will offer a more convenient way for you to set out your rubbish. It is a more efficient and cost effective method to collect waste as well as a better way to provide the service to the community. Automated rubbish collection will reduce the number of employees needed to collect rubbish. It will also reduce injuries to employees from manually picking up rubbish. Automated rubbish collection is a win-win situation for everyone. The projected savings from automated recycling and rubbish is \$500,000 per year in labor and other associated costs.

The new rubbish carts will hold the equivalent of three normal size trash cans or six large bags. These carts are the same style as the current recycling carts. If you find that your household is producing more rubbish than the cart will handle, you will be able to purchase an additional cart in the future. Rubbish carts are property of the City and will be maintained by the City. If you move, do not take the cart; leave it at the house as the serial number is recorded for the specific address. Senior Citizens or those that do not need the larger 96 gallon cart will have the option of receiving a 64 gallon cart to be more manageable and meet their needs. If your household will only need the smaller cart, please contact the Service Department at 440-473-5100 by October 31 to schedule delivery in mid-November.

Old Containers

If you wish to dispose of your old rubbish containers, please place the containers **EMPTY** on your treelawn **AWAY** from the new cart on your regular day of pick up.

Recycling

Our automated recycling program has been a great success. We have been able to increase our volume and enabled residents to recycle more with less effort. Please follow the guidelines listed on the lid of the recycling cart and recycle all acceptable items. In doing so, you will reduce the volume that is taken to the landfill – saving reusable resources and tax dollars.

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Yard Waste

In addition to the automated refuse collection, we will begin recycling all yard waste. Yard waste including all grass, hedge trimmings, garden debris and leaves outside of the fall vacuum collection period, should be placed in brown paper lawn bags. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected as they are not accepted at the compost recycling facility.

Bulk Items

Bulk items such as household appliances and furniture, will continue to be picked up as usual. Please place these items for pickup on your treelawn by 7:00 a.m. the normal day of collection.

Placement of Containers

The proper placement of your rubbish and recycling carts is very important to facilitate collection. Please do not place brush, yard waste or bulk items such as appliances or furniture closer than three feet from your recycling and rubbish carts. If these items are too close to the carts, the lift arm on the truck will not be able to grasp the container. Please keep the carts away from hydrants, poles, trees or anything that could hinder the lift arm from grasping the cart.

Tires

Tires are not accepted. Please call the Service Department 440-473-5100 for disposal options.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph M. Cicero Jr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "r" at the end.

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