



**CITY OF NEWPORT
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
NEWPORT CITY HALL**

**February 18, 2021 – IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May Be Held Electronically From Remote Locations**

Zoom Meeting Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81555137620> Meeting ID: 815 5513 7620 PW: Newport

MAYOR:	Laurie Elliott	City Administrator:	Deb Hill
COUNCIL:	Kevin Chapdelaine	Supt. of Public Works:	Bruce Hanson
	Tom Ingemann	Fire Chief:	Steven Wiley
	Marvin Taylor	Asst. to the City Admin:	Travis Brierley
	Rozlyn Johnson	Law Enforcement (WCSO):	Bill Harrell

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. WASTE HAULERS
4. PIONEER DAY
5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
6. ADJOURNMENT



MEMO

TO: Newport City Council
FROM: Deb Hill, City Administrator
DATE: February 18, 2021
SUBJECT: Garbage collection hours.

Background: City staff received a complaint stating that our current starting time (6:00am) “is very rarely adhered to, because of that trucks usually begin around 5:55am routinely on Friday mornings or any given pick up day”. Also stated in the email was that the diesel engine noise and reverse warnings (beeping) is constant from 5:55am until around 6:45am. The complainant was unsure of which hauler was the offender.

It was requested that council consider changing the start time waste collection. It is noted that staff has not received other complaints on the time garbage pick-up starts.

Newport’s current allowed hours are:
East side of Hwy 61 residential – 6:00am – 6:00pm Mondays
West side of Hwy 61 residential – 6:00am – 6:00pm Fridays
Commercial – 6:00am – 6:00pm Monday through Saturday

Staff contacted each of our three designated haulers – each was reminded of the start time. They all stated that it would be helpful to know if it was their business and possibly the truck number so they could easily rectify the issue.

Discussion: Staff was asked to inquire what our neighboring cities have for start times or residential garbage collection. The results are as follows:

St. Paul Park – 6:00am to 6:00pm – M-Su
South St. Paul – 6:00am to 10:00pm – M-Su
Inver Grove Heights – 6:00am to 6:00pm M-F
Cottage Grove – 7:00am to 10:00pm Su-Th and 7:00am to 1:00pm F-Sa
Woodbury – 6:00am to 6:00pm M-F

The following start times are from other areas of the metro:

In the Shoreview area Roseville, Vadnais Heights and Mounds View all start at 7 am. Arden Hills is 6 am and New Brighton is 6:30 am.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the haulers are given the opportunity to correct the problem.



MEMO

TO: Newport City Council

FROM: Travis Brierley, Assistant to the City Administrator

DATE: February 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Pioneer Day

Background: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council elected to cancel Pioneer Day in 2020.

Discussion: It is still early before staff must start putting in sufficient time into planning and preparing for Pioneer Day. It takes 3-4 months of planning to make Pioneer Day successful. Currently the City is still in a Declared State of Emergency with media outlets and the CDC not presenting a timeline for when things will get back to what our new normal will be. There are several unknown variables when considering planning for an event in August to include: what other communities are doing and how those events will take place, CDC guidelines several months from now, and what level of participation the community will have during the events.

If Council elects to move forward with Pioneer Day on August 8, 2021, Staff will need to start planning for the events with the CDC guidelines in mind. Items that must be considered early include: band selection, button designs, parade information, and sponsorship solicitation.

Staff contacted 2 of the event's larger sponsors learning that kids games and corn are unlikely to be provided unless there is a significant change in the pandemic.

Recommendation: Staff is asking for direction if Pioneer Day planning should move forward, be delayed for consideration until the first Council meeting in April, or should be cancelled.



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TO: Newport City Council
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SUBJECT: Future Agenda Items

Future Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items

- Planning Services RFP- April
 - Sherri Buss will be retiring part-way through the year. An RFP will be presented to Council for consideration.

Future Workshop Meeting Agenda Items

- Code Enforcement ordinance changes- March
 - The Mayor, Council Member Chapdelaine, and staff are reviewing code enforcement goals, enforcement abilities, and abatement procedures. These items are being reviewed by the City Attorney.
- City Logo- March
 - Feedback from the Council was provided at a previous workshop. Work continues and updated logo designs will be presented