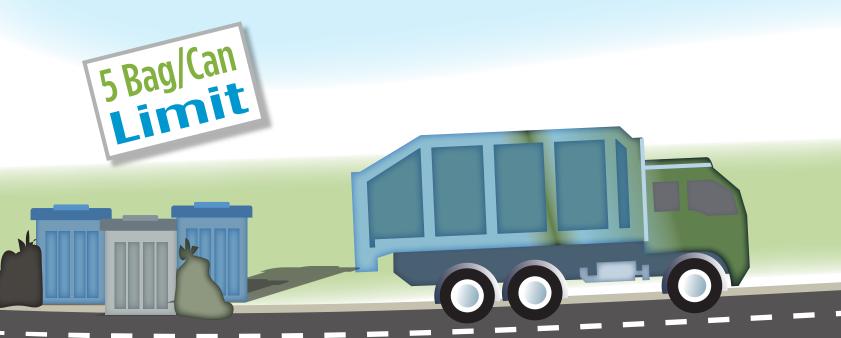
## City of Omaha Solid Waste History

Municipal Garbage Truck 1x Per Week to Pheasant Point Landfill

**Recyclables Truck** 1 x Per Week to First Star Recycling

**Yardwaste Truck** 1 x Per Week to Oma-Gro Compost Facility







## Original Contract with Deffenbaugh, Inc.

The original collection contract, initiated in 2004, with Deffenbaugh, Inc. (acquired by Waste Management, Inc.) currently runs to the end of 2020 and includes:

- Weekly **municipal garbage** pickup Truck to Pheasant Point Landfill. Limited to (5) 32 gal. bags or cans.
- Weekly **recyclables** pickup Truck to Firstar Recycling. No Limit.
- Separate weekly **Yardwaste** pickup from the first Monday of April through the week following Thanksgiving –

Truck to Oma-Gro Compost Facility. No Limit. (co-collected and comingled remainder of year)

For **Several** years, and **most significantly** in 2015, Waste Management, Inc has had **difficulty recruiting** enough qualified drivers to be fully staffed. A **shortage of drivers** with the necessary commercial drivers license endorsements has been a national problem and especially acute here in the Midwest and Omaha. This **resulted** in ongoing **collection delays** of yardwaste. **In response**, Mayor Stothert **authorized yardwaste** and garbage to be co-collected and taken to the landfill at the beginning of July.





Given the ongoing challenges, Mayor Stothert authorized the co-collection of yardwaste with garbage in 2016. Collected together, the material goes to the Pheasant Point Landfill where most of the Methane gas generated from waste decomposition is collected and used to fuel the Omaha Public Power District's Elk City Station. **Co-Collecting** 



## Yardwaste Study Commissioned by the City















In June 2016 the Omaha City Council approved a contract with SCS Engineers to evaluate sustainable materials management for **VardWaste** collection and management. The **report** developed by SCS evaluated 5 management scenarios. The study is intended to help the City Council, administration,

> and the Public Works Department understand the economic and environmental aspects associated with current yardwaste management practices and 5 possible yardwaste collection and management alternatives.

