



Metro



# Regional Service Standards Update

Metro Council Work Session, November 10, 2020

# Background

- New Regional Waste Plan adopted in 2019
- Need to update the policies used to implement the Plan: the Metro Code and Administrative Rules

# The 2030 Regional Waste Plan

A vision for the region's garbage and recycling system

A blueprint for policy direction, goals and roles and responsibilities

A plan for reducing environmental and health impacts, and sharing system benefits equitably



# Proposed changes

- Reorganize Metro Code Chapters to increase readability and reflect the new Plan
- Remove obsolete language
- Move detail out of Code into to Administrative Rules
- Add some rules that reflect the new Plan, including improvements for multifamily services

# Update Code

- Split into two new chapters
- Chapter 5.10: Overall Regional Waste Plan
- New Chapter 5.15: Local government requirements
- Chapter 5.15 organized by sector (residential, business, etc.)



# Update Administrative Rules

- **Compliance**  
AR 5.15.1000
- **Residential**  
AR 5.15.2000
- **Business**  
AR 5.15.3000
- **Business Food Waste**  
AR 5.15.4000
- **General Education**  
AR 5.15.5000



# New Rules: Multifamily residential

- New color standard
- New regional decal and sign standard
- New minimum service standards



No plastic bags or wrap, lids, glass, garbage



# Public comment

- RWAC, CORE, MPAC
- No opposition to code changes
- Overall support for multifamily improvements
- Questions regarding implementation details
- Haulers concerned about cost of color standard



✗ No TVs, computers, batteries, hazardous waste (flammables, paint, pesticides)



✗ No lids, lightbulbs, caps, ceramics, broken glass





# Cost analysis

- Cost effective replacement period for multifamily bins is seven years
  - July 1, 2028 deadline for implementation



# Next steps

- Code package to Council in December
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> First reading and public hearing
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Second reading
- Administrative rules to COO after additional 30-day comment period
- Target effective date of March 10, 2021 for code and rules