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## Smart collection: bin assignment to begin June 19th

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, June 14, 2023 –** As preparations for smart collection begin, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion has mandated USD Global to install an electronic chip on the large bins reserved for garbage and organic matter. This process, called bin assignment, will begin on June 19th and will take place over several months.

To make the task easier, the City is asking citizens to leave their black garbage bin and their 240-L brown organic waste bin - for those who have already received one - in the front yard or side yard so they can be seen from the street and can be easily accessed by the contractor. A sticker will be placed on the bins once the chip has been installed to let citizens know the bin can be returned to its usual location. Also, to make the process smoother for the bin assignment team and avoid any errors, we ask citizens to write their address on the side of the bin in the space provided for this purpose.

This coming September, residents will receive a 240-litre brown bin (already assigned) to replace the small brown bin. This bin will then be the only one picked up during organic waste collection. Citizens may continue to use the smaller bin for other purposes. For those who simply wish to dispose of it, details will follow on how to proceed. Please note that the MRC de Vaudreuil-Soulanges, who is responsible for the management of organic waste on the territory, is now accepting green waste in the brown bin.

The contractor who is awarded the collection contract will be ready to start smart collection in January 2024. **Incentive pricing is expected to begin in 2026**, once a proper trial run for this new system has taken place.

## **About Smart Collection**

Smart collection and incentive pricing aim to encourage people to do a better job at sorting and producing less waste, and reward those who adopt good practices. The method will involve the collection of final waste and organic waste. By assigning each bin to an address with an RFID transponder (electronic chip), trucks equipped with a reading system will be able to record which containers are picked up during each collection and transmit the data to the City. This will provide the City with a more efficient way of managing its bin inventory and monitoring collections. Bin collections will be monitored in real time, which will allow for more accurate and rapid management of unforeseen events on-the-job and a better quality of service when it comes to problem solving and responding to citizen complaints. Ultimately, smart collection will also change the way municipal costs related to waste management are passed on to citizens through their tax bill. **The new tariff, planned for 2026**, will be calculated accor-

ding to how often citizens actually use the collection service, i.e. the number of times throughout the year a bin is picked up during collection, thus encouraging sorting and waste reduction.

For more information about Smart Collection, please visit the City's website at ville.vaudreuil-dorion. qc.ca, under Smart Collection, where you will find a list of the more frequently asked questions, along with the answers. You may also contact the Environment Division at 450 455-3371, option 1, or by sending an e-mail to environnement@ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca.