

## Trash Trivia

It's been two months since the start of the new service. Here's your chance to show just how much you've learned during that time. Send me an email ([uapetition@aol.com](mailto:uapetition@aol.com)) with your answers to the quiz by **midnight of Sunday, June 8**. The winner, to be announced on Wednesday, June 11, will receive a free "UA Reserve Note" (i.e. trash sticker). In case of a tie, the first 3 winning entries submitted (as determined by date/time of sent email) will win.

All of the multiple choice questions are worth a point each and come straight from this website. The bonus questions are also worth one point each, and can be found through an Internet search. If anything is unclear, just email me. **Good Luck!**

1. The following perks **were offered** under the old service. Which are **NOT** offered with the new service?
  1. The ability to call the solid waste division and change your pick up day if you are going on vacation.
  2. The ability to order "rollout" dumpsters for temporary use (e.g. if you are moving and want to clean house).
  3. The ability to have your trash, recyclables, and yard waste picked up garage-side if you are temporarily incapacitated (e.g. if you break your leg).
    - (a): Just (1) is not now offered. Perks (2) and (3) are still offered.
    - (b): Just (3) is not now offered. Perks (1) and (2) are still offered.
    - (c): You can still get all of these with the new service.
    - (d): You can't get any of these with the new service.
2. In the July 2, 2007 meeting, the Assistant City Manager tells Council that it is "critical" that they make a quick decision because of a "window" that would be closing at the end of 2007. This "window" refers to:
  - (a): Terms in the agreement with city workers that prevented the City from making "major solid waste division staff changes" after this date. These terms did indeed exist.
  - (b): Expiration dates in the proposals submitted by the three bidders. These dates did indeed exist.
  - (c): Terms in the agreement with city workers that prevented the City from making "major solid waste division staff changes" after this date. These terms did **NOT** exist.
  - (d): Expiration dates in the proposals submitted by the three bidders. These dates did **NOT** exist.
3. The contract states that recyclables and yard waste for those persons with medical exemptions are to be picked up:
  - (a): Garage-side or door-side.
  - (b): Curb-side.
  - (c): The contract does not specify.
4. The difference between the December 10, 2007 and December 14, 2007 vote on the trash ordinance was:
  - (a): The addition of important contract stipulations.
  - (b): A change in the authorized expenditure level.
  - (c): A change in start date for the new service.
  - (d): The use of the "emergency clause" to prevent a vote by the residents.

5. The contract ensures that all workers utilized by the contractor will have passed criminal and sexual predator background checks (T/F), and that the city can audit this information if necessary (T/F).
- (a): True/True
  - (b): True/False
  - (c): False/True
  - (d): False/False
6. A violation of UA's Codified Ordinance 517.15:
- (a): Exists if commercial garbage trucks are on the streets between the hours of 7:00 PM and 7:30 AM.
  - (b): Is considered to be a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.
  - (c): Interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life, property and recreation due to excessive noise levels.
  - (d): All of the above.
7. Council stated that the switch from city employees to an independent contractor would save \$\_\_\_ over 5 years. An independent audit of this figure showed it to be \$\_\_\_.
- (a): \$5 million/\$5 million
  - (b): \$2.5 million/\$2.5 million
  - (c): \$2.5 million/\$1 million
  - (d): \$2.5 million/\$211,000
8. Under the old system, recycling of used motor oil was \_\_\_\_. According to the new contract, recycling of used motor oil is \_\_\_\_.
- (a): Taken care of by the city employees ... the resident's responsibility, because the contract does not state how it is to be disposed of by the contractor.
  - (b): The resident's responsibility ... the resident's responsibility, because the contract does not state how it is to be disposed of by the contractor.
  - (c): Taken care of by the city employees ... taken care of by the contractor,
  - (d): The resident's responsibility ... taken care of by the contractor.
9. If one ton of paper is diverted from a recycle facility to a landfill, this costs the city \_\_\_ per ton. In 2007, the city received approximately \_\_\_ dollars from recycling paper products.
- (a): \$15.00/\$50,000
  - (b): \$33.50/\$100,000
  - (c): \$50.00/\$150,000
  - (d): \$75.00/\$225,000

10. In order to have a referendum placed on the ballot, a petition must contain valid signatures from what percentage of voters in the last gubernatorial election? What is this percentage for recall of a Council member?
- (a): 10% /10%
  - (b): 10%/15%
  - (c): 15%/10%
  - (d): 15%/15%

### **Bonus Questions**

11. A rule of thumb is that the damage to roads due to travel by one garbage truck is equivalent to the travel of how many passenger cars? (You are right if you are within 150 cars of the answer.)
12. What is the approximate fuel usage (miles per gallon) of a garbage truck? (You are right if you are within 2 mpg of the answer.)