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Non-binding Plebiscite on Garbage Collection Set For Fall Local Election

Maple Ridge, BC: On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 Council approved a non-binding plebiscite to be held as part of the fall local election. Using a separate ballot, all citizens will have the opportunity to indicate if they support a municipally-administered solid waste collection system that would include garbage and green waste. The Ridge Meadows Recycling Society will continue to collect recyclables.

The full costs each household will pay for the collection of garbage and green waste, including the service delivery and administration, will be part of the non-binding plebiscite ballot to allow citizens to make an informed choice. The Engineering Department will issue a formal request for proposals (RFP) for curbside solid waste based on the criteria established by Council. The RFP will close at the end of August. The pricing for all potential service providers must be honoured for six months to allow the newly elected Council adequate time to review the results of the plebiscite and determine if they will proceed with a municipally-administered garbage collection system.

For more information about the Solid Waste Curbside Collection RFP please contact David Pollock, Municipal Engineer, by email at dpollock@mapleridge.ca or by phone at 604-467-7496.

For information about the Solid Waste Curbside Collection non-binding plebiscite please contact Laura Benson, Director of Corporate Administration and Chief Election Officer at election@mapleridge.ca or by phone at 604-467-7423