

## **Today's Goals**

- ✓ Provide an overview of Local Law 199 of 2019
- ✓ Define roles and responsibilities during and after the transition to Commercial Waste Zones
- ✓ Discuss the City's RFP process and highlight potential considerations for proposers
- ✓ Hear from NYC Department of Small Business Services' Procurement Technical Assistance Center

#### **Ground Rules for Today**

- ✓ Be respectful to all attendees
- ✓ One mic: please don't talk over others
- ✓ Hold questions until the end
- √ Focus discussion on next steps for CWZ
- ✓ Meeting is being recorded, video will be made available on our website
- ✓ Provide email address on sign-in sheet if you want these materials sent to you after the meeting

## Agenda



**Commercial Waste Zones Overview** 



Carter Responsibilities Under CWZ



Understanding the RFP Process

#### **How We Got Here: Designing CWZ**

2017

CWZ Plan

November 7, 2018: Implementation Plan Release

Stakeholder / Public Engagement

**Environmental Review** 

**Local Law Development** 

November 20, 2019: Enactment of Local Law 199

#### The Basics

- The City is developing a system of 20 geographic zones to contain carter collection operations
- Competitive procurement process will select up to three carters to service customers in each zone
- In addition to zones, there are up to five city-wide containerized waste awards

#### **How CWZ Works**

- The City enters into contract with each awardee
- Customers have choice of awardees in zone and enter into contracts with the one that they choose
- Maximum rates and minimum service requirements will be established in contracts between awardees and the City
- Specific terms of service and price negotiated between awardee and customer

#### The Basics

#### Covered by CWZ

- Putrescible waste
- Source separated recyclables
- Source separated organics

#### Not covered by CWZ

- Construction and demolition debris
- Fill material
- Medical waste
- Grease
- Paper collected for shredding or destruction
- Hazardous waste
- Electronic waste
- Textiles
- Yard waste collected by landscapers
- Waste collected by one-time, on-call bulk waste removal services
- Waste collected by a microhauler

#### **Awards**

- Two kinds of awards: Zone + Citywide Containerized Waste
- 65 awards available total
- Each award is for ten years of service with opportunity for two renewal periods of up to 5 years each in length
- No more than five citywide containerized waste awards
- Carters can win no more than 15 zone awards and one citywide containerized waste award



- These zone boundaries were described in a proposed rule
- Public hearing on the rule was held on January 13
- Comment period is now closed, but final rule has not yet been published

#### **Awardee Eligibility**

Proposer must have an active Trade Waste Removal License provided by BIC (or have applied for a License by the time they respond to the RFP) to be eligible for an award

#### **Partnerships**

Local Law 199 allows for subcontracting and joint venture arrangements among carters

Contract awardees may subcontract with no more than two designated carters in each zone

- Subcontractors must:
  - Be approved by the Department
  - Fully comply with all terms of the contract
  - Be licensed by BIC (or otherwise authorized in accordance with title 16-A)
- Microhaulers using bicycles or zero emission vehicles to collect organic waste will not count towards this limit
- Subcontractors for services other than waste hauling will not count towards the limit

#### **Timeline**

2019-2020: Rulemaking process (underway)

Early 2020: Info sessions

Late spring/early summer 2020: RFP expected to be released

Mid 2021-2022: Customer transition

## Rulemaking

- Prior to RFP being issued, DSNY will be issuing rules
- These will set out many of the essential CWZ program requirements
- Prior to issuing final rules, DSNY will:
  - Ask for written comments on the proposed rules
  - Hold a public hearing at which members of the public can testify
- We welcome your suggestions on how to make these rules stronger
- Stay tuned for announcements on when the next draft rules will be published for public comment

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#### Local Law 199

The following is a discussion of what LL 199 requires, including the RFP and post-RFP requirements

Specific detail on the content of the RFP will not be given before the RFP is released

#### **Customer Service**

#### All carters must:

- Submit a customer service plan, including:
  - Customer service support tools
  - Systems to receive and address customer complaints
  - Performance metrics
  - Plans to communicate with customers in multiple languages, as necessary
- Enter into written service agreements with all customers
- Provide a consolidated monthly bill to all customers
- Zone awardees generally cannot refuse service to any customer in that zone

#### **Zero Waste**

- Zero Waste plans to be submitted stating proposers' plans to reduce waste sent to landfill and increase recycling and organics diversion
- Carters must provide recycling service to all customers and organics collection service to all businesses required to source separate organics
- Carters are also expected to provide organics collection to a broad range of establishments beyond those required to source separate
- Carters expected to demonstrate that they are complying with all laws regarding commingling and proper disposal of each waste stream

## **Pricing**

Maximum pricing rates will be determined through the RFP process, replacing BIC rate cap

#### Carters are expected to:

- Provide lower rates for organics and recycling collection than for refuse
- Provide transparency around extra service fees or supplemental charges to clients
- Cover costs of third-party waste audits

#### **Health & Safety**

#### Worker safety training

- Carters must provide safety training to all employees within 180 days of signing agreement with the City, and then within 90 days of hiring new employees
- For drivers and helpers, training must be at least 40 hours; at least 8 hours for all other employees
- Annual re-training requirement
- Training must be at no cost to the worker
- Worker safety training cards to be issued upon completion of the safety program
- Training records for all employees must be maintained

Health and Safety Plans required in RFP

Additional health and safety requirements to be proposed in rules

#### Infrastructure / Fleet

Local Law 199 requires consideration of proposer's plans, if any, to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions:

- Through infrastructure investments, adoption of technologies or other sustainable solutions
  - Includes any plans to invest in sustainable facilities or infrastructure for organics and recycling processing
- From commercial waste vehicles
  - Includes any plans to utilize zero emissions vehicles for waste collection and disposal

## Reporting and Recordkeeping

Records carters must maintain and make available upon request include, but are not limited to:

- Financial records (financial statements, ledgers, receipts, audits, bills)
- Customer complaint records
- Vehicle maintenance and inspection records
- Records related to health and safety planning
- Records related to VMT
- Dump tickets

## Contingencies / Changes in Ownership

Any agreement between a carter and the City will include provisions addressing contingency plans that may apply:

- At the conclusion of the contract term between a carter and the City
- If a carter (or a subcontractor) is unable to provide the agreed upon services
- If a competing carter in the same zone or another zone is unable to provide the agreed upon services

#### **Customer Outreach During Transition**

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Establish an outreach program to:

- Educate commercial establishments on CWZ implementation
- Provide instructions for arranging for commercial waste collection

**Carters** 

- Inform current customers about new requirements around CWZ
- Engage potential new customers in their respective zones

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## **Key Terms**

Request for Proposals (RFP) – A document issued by a NYC agency seeking the services of a vendor or service provider. This document typically outlines project goals, the scope of services desired, and directions for proposers to respond to the request.

Proposer - The primary entity (or entities) who draft and submit a Proposal

**Proposal -** All records and documents enclosed and submitted by a Proposer in response to a Request for Proposals

Awardee - An entity with whom the Department enters into an agreement

**Pre-Proposal Conference** – An in-person conference at which DSNY will discuss the RFP and interested parties can ask questions

#### RFP Process – Order of Events

- 1. RFP Release
- 2. Pre-Proposal Conference
- 3. Proposal Due
- 4. Selection and Award
- 5. Finalization of Contract Negotiations

#### RFP – Overview

#### Local Law 199 requires DSNY to consider:

- Proposed rates and associated fees, including lower rates for organics and recycling
- Compliance and operations history
- Financial statements and associated records
- Required plans (listed on next slide)

#### RFP – Required Plans from LL199



**Transition Plan** 



Outreach Plan



**Customer Service Plan** 



Zero Waste Plan



Waste Management Plan



Health and Safety Plan



Air Pollution and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan



Capacity and Operations Plan



Subcontracting Plan

#### **Next Up**

- 15 minutes Q&A
- Presentation from NYC Department of Small Business Services Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)
- Q&A on PTAC presentation
- Email for follow-up communication, questions: <u>commercialprograms@dsny.nyc.gov</u> include "CWZ" in subject line for quick communication

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#### NYC SBS PTAC Overview



- Procurement Readiness Determination
- Vendor Registration
- Certification Eligibility
- Market Research
- Reviewing Solicitation Opportunities
- Reviewing Responses to Solicitations





#### RFP - Overview

- ► RFP: Request for Proposal
- ► Goal: Agencies develop solicitations that detail the expertise, experience and programmatic approach desired to achieve goals and objectives outlined.





# Understanding the Opportunity

- Scope of Work
- General Requirements
- Compensation
- Subcontracting / Reporting / M/WBE
- General Conditions, Terms, Limitations, and Requirements





# Responding to RFPs Overview

- ► Identifying Key Dates, Timelines, and Procedures
- ► Meeting Requirements for Minimum Qualifications
- Understanding Proposal Evaluation Criteria
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  - Questions
  - Pre-Proposal Conference
  - Submission Instructions
  - Anticipated Start Date
  - ▶ Contract Term
  - ► Funding and Payment Structure





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- ► Meeting Requirements for Minimum Qualifications
  - Years in Business
  - Experience of Company/Key Staff
  - ► Experience in Developing Specific Products/Services
  - ► Experience Working with Other Similar Agencies/Organizations
  - ► Attendance at Mandatory Pre-bid Conference (If Applicable)





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- Understanding Proposal Evaluation Criteria
  - Proposed Approach
  - Organizational Capacity
  - ▶ Past Experience





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- Creating Proposal Content
  - Reviewing Section for Format and Content of the Proposal
  - Proposal Format
    - ▶ Proposal Cover Letter
    - ▶ Proposal Narrative
    - ▶ Price Proposal
    - Acknowledgement of Addenda
    - Additional Documents





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- Required Forms and Attachments
  - ► Review proposal submission requirements and identify mandatory documents.
  - Download forms and prepare them in advance.
  - ▶ Place mandatory forms in separate envelopes and label them appropriately.
  - ► Signatures and notarize.





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- Submission Instructions
  - ▶ Hard Copy
  - USB
  - ▶ Format
  - Signature Pages (notarized where applicable)
  - Attachments
  - Addendums
  - ► Envelopes and Labels
  - ▶ Number of Copies





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