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**In Support of Small Business (Waste Hauling)  
Edina Chamber of Commerce**

Dear City Council Members:

On behalf of the Edina Chamber of Commerce, I wish to stand in strong support of small trash hauling companies that currently serve our community and have been for many years.

At the Chamber, we support the current free enterprise system which allows businesses to compete on price and service, provide customized service attuned to the individual customer, and which does not inject a government interface between the customer and the service provider. Smaller trash hauling businesses will be at a disadvantage if a centralized system is adopted and these smaller entities do not deserve to be eliminated from participating in the robust and vibrant business community that Edina enjoys.

Advocacy for the business community is a role the Chamber has played for many years, and we take our responsibility to do so very seriously. Small businesses are the backbone of our diverse economic environment in the community. Let's maintain that rich atmosphere and leave service decisions in the hands of capable residents and business owners.

Thank you very much for your time and serious consideration of this important and impactful issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Shelly Loberg", written over a horizontal line.

Shelly Loberg  
President  
Edina Chamber of Commerce