

## 2026 Waste, Recycling and Compost Services RFP Addendum #4 re: Questions & Answers

Answers to Bidder questions are found below. They have been separated based on when/how they were received.

### Questions Asked During the Site Visits:

#### **P1-Wemple**

- **Is there a code for access to P1?** A transponder will be issued for access to the 2 gated lots on campus. There is also a call button at the 2 gated lots for access if needed. Vendor is responsible for their transponder and must report when lost or malfunctioning. The transponder is not dedicated to 1 vehicle, it can be used by whoever has it in their possession. Most lots are not gated.
- **Is there electrical available for a compactor?** NO. A compactor is not an item we are considering on site.
- **Is there another spot for the recycling bin that is in the garage?** Not really. If we can use the enclosure space differently, we would consider that.
- **Are all 3 blue carts for recycling needed?** Dependant on the location of recycling bin in P1

#### **P5-Townhouses**

- **Are there organics here?** No, we don't have organics programs in student residence areas due to compliance and an annual re-education requirement based on new students.
- **Who owns the green bins here?** The City of London.
- **If we were to discontinue service with the City of London would they take their bins?** Yes, we don't own the bins.

#### **P3-SLC/Library**

- **Where does snow get placed?** On the south side of the parking lot near wooded area between our parking lot and University Crescent.

#### **P9-Commons Apartments**

- **Having pickup before 8am here, do you get noise complaints?** No.
- **Is there an option to flatten the ground on the far end of the parking lot?** We are leasing these buildings, therefore any changes would need to be approved by the landlord.
- **Are there organics here?** No, we don't have organics programs in student residence areas due to compliance and an annual re-education requirement based on new students.

#### **P7-STA**

- **Do we own the Seminary as well?** No.
- **Does the City of London have a front load truck?** Yes, they use it here.
- **Is there parking enforcement?** Yes, through UWO.
- **How many people live in the St. Thomas Aquinas building?** We rent this building to an external company, so we don't have an exact number. However, there are approximately 40 bedrooms in the building.

## Wemple-Cafeteria

- **Does King's design it's own signage?** Yes.
- **Does signage have to be designed by King's?** No, we are trying to keep costs low. We do have to get approvals from our Communications department and require updates annually based on products sold in cafeteria.

## General

- **Are recommendations for change allowed as part of the RFP submission?** Yes, we would encourage recommendations to be included in your RFP submission.
- **How many vendors registered for the mandatory site visits?** 5 vendors registered and attended the mandatory site visits.
- **Has King's considered installing compounds around garbage areas?** Yes, however we are trying to keep costs low.
- **Would you consider different education options?** Yes.

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### Questions Asked Via Email:

- **Are we able to partially bid on the scope of work (ie not the compost)?** Yes. See Section 6 of the RFP document.
- **In the title of the RFP it says "2026 WASTE, RECYCLING & COMPOST SERVICES" however within the document for submission, it says to title it "2025 Waste, Recycling & Compost Services RFP". Please confirm we should be updating this to 2026 when we submit our submission?** Yes. 2025 was a typo. Use 2026 for your submission.
- **For attachment 3 – Costs – it says that we can add rows if needed – are we able to put this on a word document with all the rates as the various bin sizes would be different rates.** Yes. As long as you keep the same organization of the chart so that comparisons are easy to see between Bidders. I have supplied the word version of Attachment 3 and 4 to all Bidders who attended the mandatory side visit.
- **Can you confirm that for the disposal and processing fees – is this meant to be for the roll off disposal bins or are you expecting the lift rate and the disposal cost to be separate for the front end bins?** The purpose of the Disposal & Processing Fees section is to get a list of any and all fees associated with services to enable the Selection Committee to compare total costs between Bidders. Therefore, as long as all costs and fees are included in the Bid, you can determine how to display them in the charts.
- **For the bins that show "Once Daily", can you please confirm if this is Monday to Friday, or 7 X Week requirements?** Yes, it is Monday to Friday
- **Are service days listed (ie Wednesday before 8, Tuesday / Thursday) negotiable for the successful proponent as long as the frequency of service is maintained (ie 1 X Week but a different day, 2 X Week with a day between)?** Yes, we like to avoid having these bins emptied on Fridays as we notice more illegal dumping happens over the weekend if the bin is empty.
- **For the oil, are you able to advise who is currently providing this service and what type of container it is stored in?** Davidson environmental provides the service currently. It's is similar in size to the 0.45 yard paper towel compost bins.

- **Can you please confirm that the # shown is the amount of bins required for that specific area?** The # is the current number/quantity of bins we have in each area. Recommendations on changes to the type and number of bins is encouraged.
- **For organic waste collection, can we service after 8:00 a.m.? If yes, what time can we service until?** Yes, keeping in mind that the P1 parking lot gets very full quickly in the morning. There are also other delivery trucks on site after 8 am related to the kitchen so we cannot guarantee you will be able to access the bins and you will also be required to open and close the gate independently.
- **Can we service the organic waste on Saturdays?** Yes. If this option is chosen the door to the P1 enclosure will be closed and the collector of the waste will be required to open and close the gate independently.
- **When listing the sizes/types of bins per waste stream, would you like me to list all of the available options we can provide? For example, for waste, we can provide front end dumpsters in multiple yards, as well as totes in multiple gallons - so my list can be quite long. Or would you prefer to just keep it as what the campus already uses, ie - waste going into dumpsters and avoid totes for that particular service? We can offer a wide variety and want to both offer it all, but not overwhelm.** I think at the moment we'd prefer dumpsters for waste as they do not move around and cannot be stolen, but would be interested in hearing if there is a rationale to consider totes in certain areas. We are also concerned about ergonomics and safety related when it comes to the heights of the dumpsters to how high our team members have to lift bags of waste/recycling.
- **Does the University currently have any contamination detection technology on bins?** No.
- **What kind of reporting and/or review is the University looking for regarding data security measures?** The successful Bidder will need to be able to provide proof upon request of any applicable data security measures in place. See Schedule E – Scope, section 4 for more specifics. **Can we omit the professional liability from the insurance requirements as this does not apply to waste management services?** Yes.
- **Please confirm if the "Collection/Service Frequency Pricing" for 1x/Week – 5x/Week is per month or per pickup.** Per month.
- **The RFP mentions mattresses being picked up annually. Are you able to provide info regarding how many mattresses have been picked up in the past 3 years?** This is an ad hoc service as needed and may be billed separately to a different department within King's. We don't require this service every year. Last year, we disposed of approximately 40 mattresses.
- **Is the oil being picked up at the P1 Wemple location cooking oil, motor oil, etc.?** cooking oil
- **Is there a reason why the 3x96G (.45yd) tote recycling isn't put into the 6yd recycling bin at P1 Wemple? Is this different recycling materials, or is it just location – can we put a front-end bin here instead?** The kitchen contract staff use this exclusively and some kind of receptacle for recycling close to the kitchen is required. Other options / suggestions on space use are welcome for consideration.