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RE: DPW Solid Waste Servicing Park Trash Cans and Corner Cans

Acting Director Garbark and Chief Chalmers,

Thank you both for your time tonight to discuss two issues: DPW Solid Waste servicing park trash cans and DPW Solid Waste servicing trash cans on sidewalks in neighborhoods (commonly referred to as “corner trash cans”). I appreciate your understanding my concerns related to the original decision to suspend servicing park trash cans with highly unusual numbers of visitors to our parks. In addition, I appreciate you recognizing the public’s confusion around servicing of corner trash cans.

Per our discussion, you confirmed that DPW Solid Waste will:
1- resume servicing all park trash cans tomorrow, March 25, at 8am, on a daily basis; and
2- reaffirm DPW Solid Waste’s commitment to continue servicing “corner trash cans”.

Thank you both for your continued hard work and to the men and women at DPW who help keep our City clean every day. Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me directly at eric.costello@baltimorecity.gov or 410-396-4816.

Sincerely,

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