

TO: City of North Canton City Council

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SUBJ: Leaf Pickup and Disposal Proposal

City Council is scheduled to vote on the leaf pickup proposal utilizing 30 gallon paper bags.

This begs the following questions:

1. Is the City of North Canton to furnish these paper bags free to all residents ?
2. If not, where are these bags to be available for purchase and for how much?
(Presently these bags are now available at Marc's Discount for \$0.40 each, Acme and Fisher Foods do not have them in stock, Marc's have 30 in stock)
3. At present we usually have approximately 150 bags of leaves for pickup by disposal by the city. We use 33 gallon heavy plastic bags (at a cost of \$0.20 each) packed and mulched by a yard tractor with a rear bagger. Can these 30 gallon paper bags be used in a rear bagger? Will these 30 gallon paper bags hold up from tearing and splitting when packed with mulched leaves in a rear Bagger and/or packed by hand?
4. How are these 30 gallon paper bags to be fastened to prevent spilling,?

We respectfully request that the City Council review and evaluate the above questions. We are not the only ones using rear baggers and other types of leaf pickup in North Canton and do not believe that these 30 gallon paper bags are better to be utilized than plastic bags in the manner which they are now collected and disposed of.

We also do not think these 30 gallon paper bags will hold up to filling by rear bagging or hand packing and request that you vote against using the 30 gallon paper bags for leaf pickup and disposal.

Thank you for your consideration in this request.



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