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Residents could soon have quick access to refuse collection schedules using a smartphone

Alderman Peter Burgelis is moving forward with a measure to provide every property owner in Milwaukee with quick and easy access to refuse collection schedules maintained by the Department of Public Works.

Today in the meeting of the Common Council's Public Works Committee, Alderman Burgelis sponsored Council file #241854 – 'Communication from the Department of Public Works and the Department of Administration - Information Technology Management Division relating to the use of technology for improved access to refuse collection information.'

The plan envisioned by Alderman Burgelis is to have QR code stickers regularly inserted into the municipal services bill sent to each city property owner, and when scanned the QR code would take the user to a portal where they could quickly and conveniently access their collection schedule information.

"I frequently hear from residents that it's tedious to track down their garbage and recycling collection schedule information – that it's an inconvenience for them," Alderman Burgelis said. "Residents can place these handy QR code stickers in a convenient spot – on their trash bin, garage door, or refrigerator, and then use their phone to quickly and easily find their next collection day."

When it is launched, the QR code will be active but will require browser geo location to be enabled on a user's mobile device.

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Easier access to refuse collection schedules/ADD ONE

File #241854 will continue to go through the Council committee process, and additional details will be shared with the public as the insert is finalized and readied for mailing.

The QR code is shared below for those looking to test it out.

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