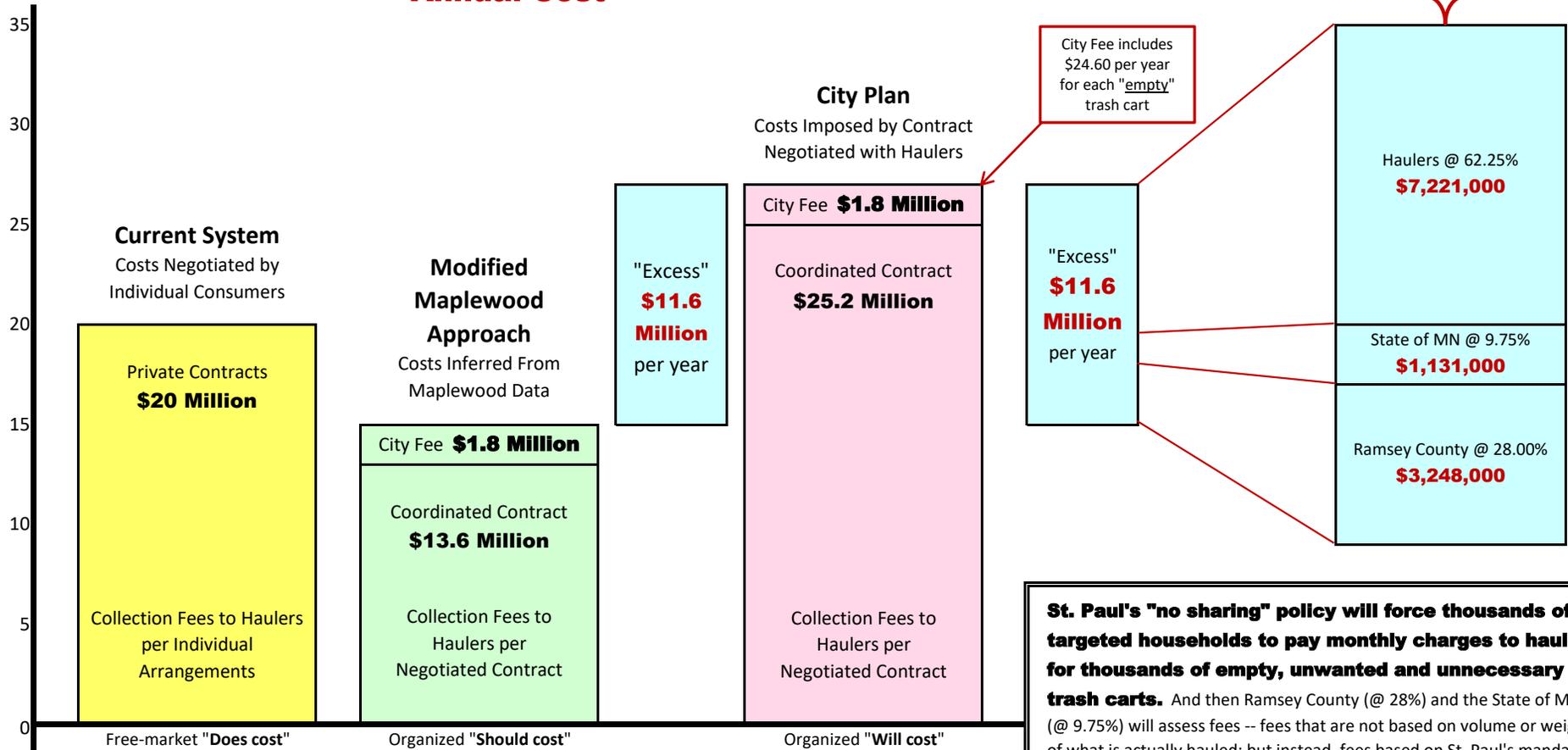


Trash Collection Options for Saint Paul, MN

Annual Cost



Here's who benefits when: (1) trash haulers raise prices; (2) savings via a more-efficient system are not shared with customers; (3) customers pay haulers for "empty" trash carts

City Fee includes \$24.60 per year for each "empty" trash cart

"Excess" \$11.6 Million per year

St. Paul's "no sharing" policy will force thousands of targeted households to pay monthly charges to haulers for thousands of empty, unwanted and unnecessary trash carts. And then Ramsey County (@ 28%) and the State of MN (@ 9.75%) will assess fees -- fees that are not based on volume or weight of what is actually hauled; but instead, fees based on St. Paul's mandated PRICES. Each year via "no sharing," (as part of the \$11.6 million excess to be paid by customers), the city, the haulers, the county and the state will be paid for empty trash carts. Affected families will have no incentive to reduce their volume of trash, and no opportunity to lower their costs. Meanwhile, "no sharing" leaves the city, haulers, county and state with every incentive to encourage prices to go up.

By shifting to a more-efficient collection system, fees paid by consumers should go **down** about \$4.6 Million per year.

But total fees are **up** about \$7 Million per year.

\$4.6 Million -- "Lost" Savings **\$7.0 Million -- Increase**

"Excess" to be paid by consumers = **\$11.6 Million** per year = **\$58 Million** for 5-year garbage contract