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In the name of “public health,” the New York City government this week has been telling city employees to take the experimental coronavirus “[vaccine](#)” shots by Friday at 5 p.m. or be fired, or as the city government terms it, “placed on leave without pay.” Plenty of city workers of all types upset by this attack on their freedom have been taking to the streets in large numbers to protest, often admirably joined by leaders of their unions.

Apparently, New York City garbage men upset with their mistreatment have chosen to skip days of work as well. The result, detailed in a Thursday [article](#) by Jean Lee at NBC News is trash piling up in parts of the city as regularly scheduled trash collection fails to occur.

What to expect after the Friday deadline? Continued piling up of trash on New York City sidewalks, right next to where millions of people in the densely populated city live, work, shop, and play each day is a good bet. Lee quotes the president of the Sanitation Officers Association:

Joseph Mannion, president of the Sanitation Officers Association, fears the trash pileups might foreshadow a possible worker shortage on Monday if vaccination rates among

sanitation workers don't increase by Friday. He said that the sanitation department has been moving to snow season shifts – 12 hours instead of eight – in anticipation of a possible worker shortage.

'Prepare for the worst and hope for the best,' Mannion said.

But Mannion is skeptical and said that he knows many sanitation workers are "hardened in their beliefs" and will refuse vaccination, even if it means being put on unpaid leave.

'I know more people are getting vaccinated, but is it going to change around 60 percent to 80 percent?' asked Mannion. 'I don't know. I don't think so.'

More and more people in New York City must be asking themselves which is a healthier, and more pleasant, option: (A) letting trash continue to pile up on sidewalks while 100 percent of garbagemen are confirmed to have taken the experimental coronavirus vaccine shots, or (B) having trash regularly cleared from sidewalks while letting garbagemen choose whether they take the shots? My guess is that most people will choose option B, especially if the trash keeps piling up for weeks or even months on end.

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