

RESOLUTION NO. 25-9446

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, SETTING RATES FOR OVERALL SOLID WASTE SERVICES AND CLEANUP CAMPAIGN SERVICES IN THE EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AREA

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Santa Clara ("City") has provided, by contract or with its own forces, certain garbage collection and disposal services, yard trimming and recycling collection, and the Cleanup Campaign ("Solid Waste Services") within the corporate limits of the City of Santa Clara;

WHEREAS, City entered into an agreement entitled "Agreement for Services Between the City of Santa Clara, California and GreenWaste Recovery, Inc." ("Solid Waste Processing Agreement"), dated April 27, 2020, to process solid waste from the exclusive franchise area to recover recyclables and organic waste for a term commencing July 1, 2020, and terminating on June 30, 2036;

WHEREAS, City entered into an agreement entitled "Agreement for Services Between the City of Santa Clara, California and Mission Trail Waste Systems, Inc." ("Refuse Franchise Agreement"), April 27, 2020, to collect and transport solid waste from customers in the exclusive franchise area, excluding residential recyclables for a term commencing July 1, 2020, and terminating on June 30, 2036;

WHEREAS, City entered into an agreement entitled "Agreement for Services Between the City of Santa Clara, California, and Recology South Bay DBA Recology Santa Clara" ("Residential Recycling Services Agreement"), February 5, 2020, for residential recycling collection services for a term commencing July 1, 2020, and terminating on June 30, 2036;

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WHEREAS, City entered into an agreement entitled “Agreement for Services Between the City of Santa Clara, California and GreenWaste Recovery, Inc.” (“Disposal Agreement”), dated December 16, 2024, to process and dispose of solid waste collected through the City’s Cleanup Campaign and municipal operations for a term commencing January 1, 2025, and terminating on June 30, 2036;

WHEREAS, City entered into an agreement entitled “Agreement for Services Between the City of Santa Clara, California and GreenWaste Recovery, Inc.” (“Composting Agreement”), dated December 16, 2024, to compost yard trimmings for a term commencing January 1, 2025, and terminating on June 30, 2036;

WHEREAS, the overall adjustments to the monthly rates charged to customers for Solid Waste Services made by this Resolution do not in any way modify the rates of compensation which Mission Trail Waste Systems, Inc., GreenWaste Recovery, Inc., and Recology Santa Clara are entitled to under the Refuse Franchise and Residential Recycling Services Agreements;

WHEREAS, a Solid Waste Rate Study was finalized on April 18, 2025 which analyzed the costs of service that comprise each monthly rate are equitably distributed;

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2025, the City timely mailed notices of a public hearing to property owners and rate payers of Solid Waste Services that detailed proposed rate adjustments in accordance with Article XIID §6 of the California Constitution (Proposition 218); and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2025, the City held a public hearing on the proposed adjustments to fees for Solid Waste Services, and there was no majority protest.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

1. In accordance with Article XIID § 6 of the California Constitution and as set forth in the accompanying staff report, incorporated herein by reference:

A. The revenues derived from the Solid Waste Services rates, as stated in Table A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, do not exceed the funds required to provide solid waste programs.

B. The revenues derived from the Solid Waste Services rates will not be used for any purpose other than solid waste programs.

C. The Solid Waste Services rates charged will not exceed the cost of solid waste programs per parcel.

D. The Solid Waste Services rates are only charged for solid waste programs that are currently available.

E. The Solid Waste Services rates are not charged for general governmental services.

2. Notice of the proposed Solid Waste Services rates was mailed on April 11, 2025, more than 45 days prior to the public hearing on this matter, in compliance with Proposition 218.

3. A public hearing was conducted on May 27, 2025, regarding the proposed rates to be charged and all protests and other comments were considered.

4. The number of written protests by owners of parcels within the City against the increased rates were tabulated by City staff at the hearing and did not constitute a majority protest.

5. That following the public hearing, the City Council approves and adopts the rates for collection and disposal of garbage, yard trimming and recycling collection, and the Cleanup Campaign, as set forth in Table A, incorporated here by reference.

6. That any and all amounts by which the fees set forth in Table A exceed monies paid to contractors that provide Solid Waste Services in accordance with their respective agreements, shall solely belong to City and shall constitute cost recovery for Solid Waste Services rendered by City.

7. That a true and correct copy of this Resolution shall be kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk and in the Municipal Services Division of the City Finance Department at all times in which the rates are operable or until replaced with any future adjusted monthly charges by the City Council and shall be open to public inspection during the regular hours of such offices.

8. That the adjusted monthly charges for Solid Waste Services described herein are ordered to be effective for utility bills issued for services rendered on and after July 1, 2025 and thereafter.

9. Effective date. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF HELD ON THE 27TH DAY OF MAY, 2025, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILORS: Cox, Gonzalez, Hardy, and Jain, and Mayor Gillmor

NOES: COUNCILORS: Chahal and Park

ABSENT: COUNCILORS: None

ABSTAINED: COUNCILORS: None

ATTEST:



NORA PIMENTEL, MMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference:

1. Table A – City of Santa Clara Rates for Collection and Disposal of Garbage, Yard Trimming and Recycling Collection, and the Annual Cleanup Campaign for Utility Bills Issued for Services Rendered on and After July 1, 2025

TABLE A
CITY OF SANTA CLARA
RATES FOR COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE,
YARD TRIMMING AND RECYCLING COLLECTION, AND THE ANNUAL CLEANUP
CAMPAIGN,
(Effective for utility bills issued for services rendered on and after July 1, 2025)

I. RESIDENTIAL USERS:

A. All Occupancy Classes (separate line billing)

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| 1. Cleanup Campaign | \$6.62/month ¹ |
| 2. Extra Bag Tag Pre-Paid Sticker Program for extra garbage bag
setouts | \$7.91/bag tag |

B. Single Occupancy (includes Complexes of 4 or Less Units)^{2 & 3}

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| 1. Regular service, (includes Yard Trimming Collection Service, and Recycling
Services)
single collection weekly: | |
| a. One (1) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage can
or Small Cart | \$53.68/month |
| b. One (1) twenty-gallon capacity super saver can
or Super Saver Cart | \$45.66/month |
| c. Two (2) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans
or Medium Cart | \$78.51/month |
| d. Three (3) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans
or Large Cart | \$103.22/month |
| e. Additional thirty-two (32) gallon container | \$28.62/month |

¹ Exemption with no charge to residence with limited space based on determination by Deputy Director of Public Works.

² Last two weeks of each year, encompassing the Christmas holiday and the week following, single occupancy customers may set out up to four (4) extra thirty-two (32) gallon garbage bags total (two per week) at no extra charge.

³ Low income rate discount of \$10.00 per month for single-family and townhouse customers that qualify for Silicon Valley Power's Rate Assistance Program.

C. Residential Apartment Complexes of 5 or more units where Yard Trimming Collection Services Provided:

Regular service, single collection weekly:

1. First dwelling unit (includes Yard Trimming and Recycling Collection Services):
 - a. One (1) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage can or Small Cart \$53.68/month
 - b. One (1) twenty-gallon capacity Super Saver Cart. Only for duplexes with individual billing and where carts are set out at each residence. \$45.66/month
 - c. Two (2) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans or Medium Cart \$78.51/month
 - d. Three (3) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans or Large Cart \$103.22/month
2. Each additional dwelling unit exceeding one (1) unit (includes recycling charge, but not Yard Trimming Collection Service charge) \$37.31/month
3. For each additional thirty-two-gallon capacity container \$28.62/month
4. Recycling Service: (first unit includes recycling charge automatically)
All residential dwellings are required to have recycling services. The monthly charge is unbundled for additional units after the first unit. \$8.39/month/
unit/once weekly lift
5. Each additional weekly lift of recycling container. \$8.39/month/
unit

D. Townhouses – garbage and recycling provided (recycling not bundled into rate, but billed as a separate line item on utility bill); no Yard Trimming Collection Services:

1. Regular service, single collection weekly:
 - a. One (1) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage can or Small Cart \$28.92/month
 - b. One (1) twenty-gallon capacity super saver garbage can or Super Saver Cart only where can setout and billed individually at each residence \$20.90/month

c. Two (2) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans or Medium Cart	\$53.75/month
d. Three (3) thirty-two-gallon capacity garbage cans or Large Cart	\$78.46/month
e. Additional thirty-two (32) gallon capacity container	\$28.62/month
2. Recycling Service, single collection weekly, additional charge per participating dwelling unit	\$8.39/month/ unit/once weekly lift
E. Yard Trimming Collection Service	\$16.37/month/ unit

II. COMMERCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS; AND RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT COMPLEXES OF 5 OR MORE UNITS ⁴ (WHERE DWELLING UNITS NOT SERVED SEPARATELY)

A. Regular Garbage Cart Service: Variable

CONTAINER SIZE (CAPACITY)	ONE TO SIX COLLECTIONS PER WEEK⁴					
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	SIX
One 32-gallon capacity can, or Small Cart	\$29.36	\$58.71	\$88.07	\$117.42	\$146.82	\$176.15
Two 32-gallon capacity cans, or Medium Cart	\$54.60	\$109.11	\$163.76	\$218.36	\$272.90	\$327.47
Three 32-gallon capacity cans, or Large Cart	\$79.83	\$159.64	\$239.48	\$319.27	\$399.07	\$478.90
Each additional 32-gallon capacity container	\$29.08	\$58.17	\$87.23	\$116.32	\$145.45	\$174.48
Rates do not include Recycling or Clean Green collection services Notwithstanding the above, in no event will the minimum charge for service for commercial and institutional establishments be less than \$29.36.						

⁴ For residential apartment complexes of 5 or more units add \$8.39 per unit per month for recycling charges. Complexes requiring more than one lift per week will be assessed an additional \$8.39 per unit for each additional lift required beyond once a week.

B. Regular Recycling Cart Service – Commercial and Institutional Only: Variable

Contractor bills customers for commercial recycling services directly, not the City. Per Exhibit A, Section 3.C.v. of Agreement, if a commercial customer requires more than 96 gallons of recycling service per week, Contractor shall charge customer up to a maximum of the corresponding tariff level for the specific container and service level, plus ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees. Contractor shall retain five percent (5%) for billing and remit five percent (5%) to City on a quarterly basis, along with its non-exclusive franchise fees. Rates below include the ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees.

CONTAINER SIZE (CAPACITY)	ONE TO SIX COLLECTIONS PER WEEK					
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	SIX
First 96-gallon container	None	\$92.62	\$138.92	\$185.17	\$231.49	\$277.79
Each additional 96-gallon container	\$46.30	\$92.62	\$138.92	\$185.17	\$231.49	\$277.79

C. Source Separated Food Scrap and Organic Waste Service

CONTAINER SIZE (CAPACITY)	FOOD SCRAP RECYCLING COLLECTIONS PER WEEK				
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE
First 64-gallon container (collection rate)	\$31.03	\$61.94	\$185.94	\$124.02	\$154.94
Each additional 64-gallon container (collection rate)	\$30.65	\$61.25	\$91.88	\$122.51	\$153.22
Processing cost per container	\$8.75	\$17.19	\$25.63	\$34.07	\$42.51
Contractor bills customers for food scrap recycling services (collection and processing) directly. Collection rates above include ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees. Contractor shall retain five percent (5%) for billing and remit five percent (5%) to City on a quarterly basis, along with its non-exclusive franchise fees. Contractor shall invoice City on a monthly basis for processing costs. Processing cost per container include ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees.					

- D. Front Load Bin Garbage Service (loose – not compacted): Variable, for commercial, institutional, and residential apartment complexes of 5 or more units; monthly charge (for weekly collections) with container furnished by Contractor.

<i>BIN SIZE (Cubic Yards)</i>	<i>ONE TO SIX COLLECTIONS PER WEEK⁵</i>					
	<i>ONE</i>	<i>TWO</i>	<i>THREE</i>	<i>FOUR</i>	<i>FIVE</i>	<i>SIX</i>
1	\$183.73	\$364.40	\$542.09	\$716.76	\$891.44	\$1,063.08
1½	\$254.11	\$506.40	\$750.15	\$988.51	\$1,228.77	\$1,463.82
2	\$324.45	\$642.98	\$961.46	\$1,268.25	\$1,574.38	\$1,886.92
3	\$466.70	\$920.77	\$1,363.41	\$1,794.44	\$2,231.76	\$2,665.52
4	\$605.08	\$1,197.79	\$1,780.28	\$2,340.20	\$2,908.15	\$3,438.80
6	\$863.65	\$1,715.28	\$2,527.80	\$3,340.30	\$4,152.79	\$4,966.46
8	\$1,116.92	\$2,229.17	\$3,346.15	\$4,340.30	\$5,397.46	\$6,491.78

⁵ For residential apartment complexes of 5 or more units add \$8.39 per unit per month for recycling charges. Complexes requiring more than one lift per week will be assessed an additional \$8.39 per unit for each additional lift required beyond once a week.

E. Front Load Bin Garbage Service (Compacted): Variable, for commercial, institutional, and residential apartment complexes of 5 or more units; monthly charge (for weekly collections) with container furnished by Contractor.

<i>BIN SIZE (Cubic Yards)</i>	<i>ONE TO SIX COLLECTIONS PER WEEK⁶</i>					
	<i>ONE</i>	<i>TWO</i>	<i>THREE</i>	<i>FOUR</i>	<i>FIVE</i>	<i>SIX</i>
1	\$283.81	\$564.58	\$842.35	\$1,117.12	\$1,391.88	\$1,663.62
1½	\$404.25	\$806.66	\$1,200.55	\$1,589.05	\$1,979.45	\$2,364.62
2	\$524.63	\$1,043.34	\$1,562.00	\$2,068.97	\$2,575.28	\$3,088.00
3	\$766.96	\$1,521.31	\$2,264.21	\$2,995.52	\$3,733.10	\$4,467.12
4	\$1,005.44	\$1,998.51	\$2,981.36	\$3,941.64	\$4,909.93	\$5,840.94
6	\$1,464.19	\$2,916.36	\$4,329.40	\$5,742.44	\$7,155.47	\$8,569.68
8	\$1,917.64	\$3,830.61	\$5,748.29	\$7,543.16	\$9,401.04	\$11,296.08

⁶For residential apartment complexes of 5 or more units add \$8.39 per unit per month for recycling charges. Complexes requiring more than one lift per week will be assessed an additional \$8.39 per unit for each additional lift required beyond once a week.

F. Front Load Bin Recycling Service: Variable, for commercial, and institutional customers only; monthly charge (for weekly collections) with container furnished by Contractor.

Contractor bills customers for commercial recycling services directly, not the City. Per Exhibit A, Section C. (v.) of Agreement, if a commercial customer requires more than 96 gallons of recycling service per week, Contractor may charge customer. Contractor shall retain five percent (5%) for billing and remit five percent (5%) to City on a quarterly basis, along with its non-exclusive franchise fees.

<i>BIN SIZE (Cubic Yards)</i>	<i>ONE TO SIX COLLECTIONS PER WEEK</i>					
	<i>ONE</i>	<i>TWO</i>	<i>THREE</i>	<i>FOUR</i>	<i>FIVE</i>	<i>SIX</i>
1	\$104.45	\$204.71	\$301.05	\$393.28	\$485.53	\$573.69
1½	\$150.54	\$298.58	\$435.16	\$564.50	\$696.41	\$821.27
2	\$196.56	\$385.12	\$573.69	\$746.49	\$918.43	\$1,098.93
3	\$290.75	\$564.50	\$822.92	\$1,065.72	\$1,316.94	\$1,563.39
4	\$379.73	\$742.85	\$1,092.19	\$1,411.20	\$1,741.01	\$2,020.70
6	\$533.25	\$1,050.32	\$1,514.83	\$1,979.30	\$2,443.82	\$2,909.83
8	\$679.65	\$1,352.98	\$2,032.71	\$2,547.31	\$3,146.57	\$3,795.87

G. Front Load Bin Source Separated Food Scrap and Organic Waste Service

BIN SIZE (CAPACITY)	FOOD SCRAP RECYCLING COLLECTIONS PER WEEK				
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE
One (1) cubic yard (collection rate)	\$107.42	\$204.69	\$301.04	\$393.28	\$485.50
Processing cost per one (1) cubic yard container	\$27.26	\$53.90	\$80.54	\$107.18	\$133.83
Three (3) cubic yards (collection rate)	\$290.73	\$564.48	\$822.89	\$1,065.67	\$1,316.89
Processing cost per three (3) cubic yard container	\$80.85	\$160.78	\$240.71	\$320.65	\$400.60
Contractor bills customers for food scrap recycling services directly. Contractor shall retain five percent (5%) for billing and remit five percent (5%) to City on a quarterly basis, along with its non-exclusive franchise fees. Contractor shall invoice City on a monthly basis for processing costs. Processing cost per container includes ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees.					

- H. Roll-Off Bin Garbage and Construction and Demolition Service: Per collection with roll-off container furnished by Contractor and front loader compactor bin furnished by customer. The rates specified below do not include recycling/disposal costs. Customer shall be billed by Contractor for the actual charges incurred by the Contractor for recycling and/or disposal of collected contents plus ten percent (10%) markup for billing and franchise fees. This 10% markup is included in the rates below.

BIN SIZE/CAPACITY	OPEN (Loose) CONTAINER (per cubic yard)	COMPACTED (Closed) CONTAINER (per cubic yard)
10 cubic yards or less	\$42.87	\$56.45
11 to 15 cubic yards	\$42.87	\$48.99
16 to 20 cubic yards	\$39.11	\$44.77
21 to 29 cubic yards	\$35.82	\$44.77
30 cubic yards	\$30.18	\$44.77
31 to 39 cubic yards	\$28.57	\$44.77
40 cubic yards & over	\$27.67	\$44.77
Demurrage charge (one-week extension without collection) per week	\$75.61	\$75.61

III. SPECIAL CHARGES

A. Provided by Mission Trail Waste Systems and Billed to Customer by City:

1. Manual Front-Load Bin Push/Pull Charges

<i>RATE LEVEL</i>	<i>ONE-WAY DISTANCE</i>	<i>RATE</i>
L-1	6 to 20 feet	\$34.45
L-2	21 to 40 feet	\$44.96
L-3	41 to 60 feet	\$67.01
L-4	61 to 80 feet	\$79.94
L-5	81 to 100 feet	\$111.54
L-6	101 to 120 feet	\$146.49
L-7	121 to 140 feet	\$180.97
L-8	141 to 160 feet	\$213.48
L-9	161 to 180 feet	\$247.96
L-10	181 to 200+ feet	\$278.12

2. Lock Bar/ Lock Jam Front Load Services
One-time installation fee, including one (1)
lock: \$101.47
3. Purchase of Lock
Per each, includes delivery of lock: \$47.87
4. Front-Load Bin Steam Cleaning - Per
occurrence, not include once per year annual
cleaning: \$121.61

B. Provided by Mission Trail Waste Systems and Billed to Customer by Contractor:

1. Roll-Off Bin Steam Cleaning - Per occurrence
not including once per year annual cleaning: \$596.04*
2. Saturday Service Roll-Off Bin - Per
occurrence: \$648.71*

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| 3. | “Emergency” Roll-Off Load Collection on a Weekday- Per driver hour with one (1) hour minimum charge: | \$347.55* |
| 4. | Relocation of Roll-Off Bin - Per driver hour with one (1) hour minimum charge: | \$347.55* |
| 5. | Roll-Off Driver Time - Per driver hour with one (1) hour minimum charge: | \$347.55* |
| 6. | Counter-balanced Front-Load Covered Bin (Premium charge paid by Customer – availability limited to 100 bins total) | \$15.11*/unit/month |
| 7. | Special Charges for return trips, non-scheduled collections, overages, and contamination: | Monthly collection charge for cart or bin size multiplied by 12, divided by 52, and multiplied by 1.5 per occurrence |
| 8. | Illegal bin removal and storage fee: | \$377.77* plus disposal cost per occurrence |

* Roll-off bin special services charges include markup of ten percent (10%) for billing and franchise fees. Contractor shall retain five percent (5%) for billing and remit five percent (5%) to City on a quarterly basis.

C. Provided by Recology for Residential Recycling Customers:

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| 1. | Manual Push/Pull Charges (first 10 feet complimentary): | \$1.16 per foot moved |
| 2. | Front Loading Bin Cleaning Charge: | \$145.11 per cleaning |
| 3. | Driver-time Reimbursement: | \$110.29 per hour |
| 4. | Lock-Jam Bin Installations: | \$87.07 flat fee |
| 5. | Charge to Service Contaminated Toter: container | \$29.02 flat fee per container |
| 6. | Charge to Service Contaminated Front-Loading Bins: | \$145.11 flat fee per container |
| 7. | Charge to haul compactor: | \$594.40 per haul ** |

** Contractor provides billing and collection for compactor hauling services.