


**Adoption of a Resolution
Setting Rates for Overall
Solid Waste Services
and Annual Clean-up
Campaign in the
Exclusive Franchise
Area**

**Public Hearing
Item # 6 – 22-1725
May 24, 2022**

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Solid Waste Rates

- Services
 - Garbage
 - Yard Trimmings
 - Residential Recycling
 - Clean-up Campaign (CUC)
- Rates for each service that a customer subscribes to get combined into a bundled rate

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POST MEETING MATERIAL

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Compensation Adjustments

- Effective July 1, 2022
 - Recology increase @ 13.8% negotiated *
 - MTWS increase @ 9.0% negotiated *
 - GWR increase @ 4.24%
 - Republic increase @ 3.1%
- * Beginning July 1, 2023 annual adjustments based on year over change in the Water, Sewer, Trash Index with a 5% cap and 2% floor

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Bundled Solid Waste Rates



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Individual Rate Component Increases

Service Type/% of subscribers	FY 2021/22 Rate	FY 2022/23 Rate	Change in Rate
20-gallon garbage cart (10%)	\$17.37	\$18.65	\$1.28
32-gallon garbage cart (53%)	\$24.15	\$25.95	\$1.80
64-gallon garbage cart (31%)	\$44.91	\$48.38	\$3.47
96-gallon garbage cart (6%)	\$65.59	\$70.67	\$5.08
Yard trimmings	\$13.04	\$13.56	\$0.52
Recycling	\$5.58	\$6.67	\$1.09
CUC	\$6.28	\$6.28	\$0.00

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Rate Changes

Garbage Cart Size	FY 21/22 Bundled Rate	FY 22/23 Bundled Rate	\$ Change	%Change
20-gallon (SF)	\$42.27	\$45.16	\$2.89	6.8%
20-gallon (TH)	\$29.23	\$31.60	\$2.37	8.1%
32-gallon (SF)	\$49.05	\$52.46	\$3.41	7.0%
32-gallon (TH)	\$36.01	\$38.90	\$2.89	8.0%
64-gallon (SF)	\$69.81	\$74.89	\$5.08	7.3%
64-gallon (TH)	\$56.77	\$61.33	\$4.56	8.0%
96-gallon (SF)	\$90.49	\$97.18	\$6.69	7.4%
96-gallon (TH)	\$77.45	\$83.62	\$6.17	8.0%

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Front Load Bin Charges

- Loose front load bins increases range from 1.5% - 3.7%
 - Dependent on container size/frequency of service
 - Lower increases because of increased subscriptions (+5%)
 - Bin costs spread over a larger base
- Compacted front load bin rates (**New Rate**)
 - 57% - 77% more expensive than loose front load bins
 - 4 current customers

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Comparison with 2019 Estimates

Garbage Service Type	2019 estimate	FY 22/23 Proposed	\$ Difference	% Difference
32-gallon single-family	\$57.50	\$52.46	(\$5.04)	(8.8%)
32-gallon townhouse	\$39.90	\$38.90	(\$1.00)	(2.5%)
3-CY bin commercial business customer (includes 96-gallons of recycling)	\$409.60	\$398.92	(\$10.68)	(2.6%)
3-CY bin multi-family customer (20 recycle units)	\$547.50	\$532.32	(\$15.18)	(2.8%)

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Countywide Rate Analysis



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Residential Cart Rate Comparison

	20-gallon	32-gallon	64-gallon	96-gallon
FY 2021/22 countywide avg.	\$32.92	\$40.65	\$70.09	\$103.70
FY 2022/23 CSC single-family rate*	\$38.88	\$46.18	\$68.61	\$90.90
FY 2022/23 CSC townhouse rate**	\$25.32	\$32.62	\$55.05	\$77.34

* Excludes CSC Cleanup Campaign Cost

** No other city offers reduced townhouse rates

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Garbage Bin Rate Comparison

	1-CY Bin 1 time per week	1-CY Bin 3 times per week	1-CY Bin 5 times per week	3-CY Bin 1 time per week	3-CY Bin 3 times per week	3-CY Bin 5 times per week
FY 2021/22 countywide average	\$170.78	\$497.56	\$822.40	\$380.58	\$1,115.54	\$1,848.46
FY 2022/23 Santa Clara rate	\$155.53	\$458.72	\$740.22	\$398.92	\$1,165.04	\$1,906.66

- Most jurisdictions have a separate charge for organics collection service
- Most jurisdictions anticipate rate increases in FY 2022/23



Public Hearing

- Solid waste customers may submit oral or written protests until the close of the Public Hearing
- At close of Public Hearing, protests are tabulated
 - 34,973 notices were sent on April 7, 2022
 - If protests tabulated are 50 percent plus one (17,487), the proposed fees cannot be imposed
- If there is not a majority protest, Council can make and act on a motion to increase fees



Recommendation

1. Adopt a Resolution setting the overall rates to be charged to rate payers for the collection and disposal of garbage, refuse, yard trimmings, recycling, and annual Clean-up Campaign in the exclusive franchise area, effective for the utility bills issued for services rendered on and after July 1, 2022

Questions

