

**Memorandum
Public Works Department**



To: City Manager
Subject: Refuse Service Charge
Date: September 30, 2015
Number: 2015-177

In conjunction with the transfer of refuse services from the General Fund to a Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, the following rate increases are proposed:

Fee Type	Current Fee (per dwelling unit)		Fee effective November 1, 2015 (per dwelling unit)		Fee effective November 1, 2016 (per dwelling unit)	
	Monthly	Quarterly	Monthly	Quarterly	Monthly	Quarterly
Solid Waste Fee	\$6.00	\$18.00	\$8.00	\$24.00	\$10.00	\$30.00
Recycling Fee	\$2.00	\$6.00	\$2.50	\$7.50	\$3.00*	\$9.00
Additional Refuse Cart	\$3.33	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$24.00	\$10.00	\$30.00

* The recycling fee in November 2016 is estimated. The contract with the City's recycling contractor expires in the summer of 2016 and it is not known if the monthly rate will change.

Beginning in FY17 the solid waste fund will be reviewed annually during the budget process and fee adjustments will be recommended as needed to maintain a positive fund balance.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council approve the increases for monthly residential refuse service to \$8.00 per month in November 2015 and \$10.00 per month in November 2016; monthly per cart curbside recycling service to \$2.50 in November 2015; and change the additional cart fee to equal the monthly refuse service fee beginning in November 2015; and direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary ordinance modifications.

Submitted by: Randall D. Tweet, Public Works Director

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager