

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	48027	Agenda Number	65.
Meeting Date:	8/20/2015	Department:	Austin Resource Recovery	
Subject				
Conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on Austin Resource Recovery's proposed rate and fee changes for the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Proposed Budget.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:				
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>Under the City Code, Council must conduct a public hearing to hear public comments on any proposed rate changes for garbage collection rates. Austin Resource Recovery (ARR) is proposing rate changes in the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Proposed Budget. Council is scheduled to adopt the budget in September 2015.</p> <p>The City Code in Section 2-5-45 specifically requires a public hearing before Council approves any changes in electric, water, wastewater, and garbage collection rates.</p> <p>ARR is proposing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A \$1.70 rate increase in the monthly base customer charge for both residential and commercial customers.</li> <li>A \$3.00 rate increase in the monthly clean community fee for commercial customers.</li> <li>A \$1.60 rate increase per bag or item of unstickered extra trash.</li> <li>An \$8.00 per hour rate increase for an equipment operator (excluding holidays) for event cleaning.</li> <li>A \$7.50 per hour rate increase for a worker (excluding holidays) for event cleaning.</li> <li>A new \$11.50 per cubic yard commercial composting fee for commercial customers in the Central Business District.</li> </ul> <p>The increased fees and the new fee will be used to fund both existing services and continued ARR Master Plan activities.</p>				