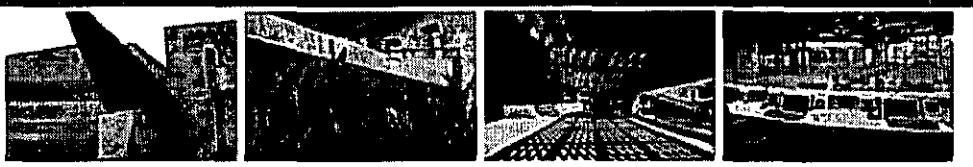
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AGENDA



Thursday, August 31, 2006

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Public Hearings and Possible Actions **ITEM No. 67**
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Subject: Conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed rate and fee changes for the Solid Waste Services as part of the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Proposed Budget. No fiscal impact.

Additional Backup Material
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Proposed Rate and Fee Schedule

For More Information: William E. Rhodes, P.E., Director 974.1970 or Sue Cooper, Financial Manager, 974.7759

2006-07 Fee Schedule

	Approved 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07	Change
Solid Waste Services			
Code Compliance			
Hotel, Motel, Boarding and Rooming House License			
New/Annual Renewal			
<10 units	$42.00	$50.00	$8.00
<50 units	$83.00	$100.00	$17.00
>= 50	$1.76 /unit	$2.00 /unit	$0.24
Mobile Home Park License			
New/Annual Renewal	$110.00 plus $3.00 /unit	$200.00 plus $10.00 /unit	$90.00 $7.00
Transfers			
<10 units	$39.00	$0.00	*Delete*
<50 units	$55.00	$0.00	Delete
>= 50	$83.00	$0.00	Delete
Transfer of License	$0.00	$75.00	New
Reinspection Discharge Fee Applied on the third inspector visit for both zoning and housing code violations.	$50.00	$50.00	
Weed Lot Clearing	cost of contractor's bill	cost of contractor's bill	
Administrative Fee (Charged to property owners when their property is cleared by the city contractor)	$150.00	$150.00	
Interest on Outstanding Lot Clearing Accounts If lien filing is necessary, charged upon settlement for a release of lien.	10% /year	10% /year	
Lien Release Fees	$28.00 plus actual cost	$28.00 plus actual cost	
Note: Includes $28.00 administrative fee, plus costs charged for filing and releasing of liens on vacant property cleared by the city contractors.			
Demolition Service	cost of contractor's bill	cost of contractor's bill	
Administrative Fee (Charged to property owners when their property is demolished by the city contractor)	$150.00	$150.00	New
Interest on Outstanding Lot Clearing Accounts If lien filing is necessary, charged upon settlement for a release of lien.	10% /year	10% /year	New
Lien Release Fees	$28.00 plus actual cost	$28.00 plus actual cost	New
Note: Includes $28.00 administrative fee, plus costs charged for filing and releasing of liens on vacant property cleared by the city contractors.			

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Solid Waste Services			
Emergency Closure (Board & Secure)	cost of contractor's bill	cost of contractor's bill	
Administrative Fee	$150.00	$150.00	New
(Charged to property owners when their property is boarded and secured by the city contractor)			
Interest on Outstanding Lot Clearing Accounts	10% /year	10% /year	New
If lien filing is necessary, charged upon settlement for a release of lien.			
Lien Release Fees	$28.00 plus actual cost	$28.00 plus actual cost	New
Garbage Collection			
Residential, per month			
Base Customer Charge	$7.00	$7.00	
Each 30 gallon cart	$4.75	$4.75	
Each 60 gallon cart	$7.50	$7.50	
Each 90 gallon cart	$10.25	$10.25	
Dumpster Service (contracted)	$10.25	$13.00	$2.75
Once a utility service account has been activated at an address, garbage charges will not begin until after the tenth day.			
Commercial, per month			
Base Customer Charge	$25.00	$25.00	
Cart Charges			
Each 30 gallon cart*	$3.50	$3.50	
Each 60 gallon cart*	$5.00	$5.00	
Each 90 gallon cart*	$6.50	$6.50	
*Cart charges are multiplied by the weekly collection frequency.			
Twice-a-week collection surcharge	$40.00	$40.00	
Three days a week collection surcharge	$0.00	$100.00	New
Six-day-per-week collection surcharge	$200.00	$200.00	
Once a utility service account has been activated at an address, garbage charges will not begin until after the tenth day.			
Other Charges			
Garbage Service Initiation	$15.00	$15.00	
Extra Garbage, per bag	$2.00	$2.00	
Unstickered Extra Garbage, per bag	$4.00	$4.00	
*Cart Exchange Fee**	$15.00	$15.00	
*The cart exchange fee applies to any cart action after the first 60 days of service that results in an increase in the bill.			
Special Collections			
Event Cleaning			
Up to 4 hours	$0.00	$500.00	New
each additional hour	$0.00	$200.00	New

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	Approved 2005-06		Proposed 2006-07		Change
Solid Waste Services					
Central Business District					
Garbage Collection					
Residential, per Month, per Household					
Base Customer Charge per Electric Meter	$7.00		$7.00		
Dumpster Service (contracted)	$10.25		$10.00		($0.25)
Commercial, per month					
Base Customer Charge	$7.00		$7.00		
Fee per cubic yard*	$9.50		$9.50		
*The monthly charge is determined by multiplying the fee by the weekly volume in cubic yards.					
Once a utility service account has been activated at an address, garbage charges will not begin until after the tenth day.					
Special Cleaning Service					
Residential, per month	exempt		exempt		
Commercial, per month	$16.00		$16.00		
Once a utility service account has been activated at an address, the Central Business District special cleaning service charges will not begin until after the seventeenth day.					
Refuse Collection Service License Fee					
Annual fee per collection vehicle					
For entities with 6 or fewer collection vehicles	$100.00	/vehicle	$100.00	/vehicle	
For entities with 7 or more collection vehicles:					
35,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight or more	$1,000.00	/vehicle	$1,000.00	/vehicle	
10,000 - 34,999 lbs. gross vehicle weight	$500.00	/vehicle	$500.00	/vehicle	
9,999 lbs. gross vehicle weight or less	$200.00	/vehicle	$200.00	/vehicle	
Monthly fee per one to ten cubic yard container (billed quarterly)	$4.00	each	$4.00	each	
Anti-Litter/Home Chemical					
Residential, per month	$2.60		$2.60		
Commercial, per month	$4.55		$4.55		
Once a utility service account has been activated at an address, anti-litter charges will not begin until after the seventeenth day.					
Special Collections					
Hauling Service					
up to two items only, e.g., a couch and a chair	$55.00		$55.00		
cubic yards per pick-up:					
1 to 4	$100.00		$100.00		
5 to 16 maximum	$100.00	/plus $8.00	$100.00	/plus $8.00	
Out-of-Cycle Brush Collection	$90.00	standard brush	$90.00	standard brush	
Landfill					
Uncompacted Loads					
Car	$7.00		$7.00		
Pickup	$5.50	/cubic yard with a $10 minimum	$5.50	/cubic yard with a $10 minimum	

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Solid Waste Services			
Uncompacted Loads (continued)			
All other uncompacted loads	$6.50 /cubic yard	$6.50 /cubic yard	
All loads must be securely tarped or tied.			
Surcharge - uncovered/unsecured loads:			
Pickup	$5.00	$5.00	
Single axle truck	$10.00	$10.00	
Double axle truck	$15.00	$15.00	
Compacted Loads (garbage trucks)			
Contaminated soil	$10.00 /cubic yard	$10.00 /cubic yard	
Non-regulated asbestos	$12.00 /cubic yard	$12.00 /cubic yard	
Regulated asbestos	$12.00 /cubic yard	$12.00 /cubic yard	
Tires			
Passenger or light truck tires	$5.00 each	$5.00 each	
Tires 20" or larger	$7.00 /cubic yard	$7.00 /cubic yard	
Tires 20" or larger will not be accepted unless they are sliced parallel to the bead, quartered, or shredded. The charge for these tires will be the same as for uncompacted trash.			
Special Handling Charges			
Major appliances for disposal	$10.00 /item	$10.00 /item	
Major appliances for recycling or disposal*	$2.00 /item	$2.00 /item	
Unloading Service	$20.00	$20.00	
* These items include refrigerators, washing machines, other large metal items, and any large item containing recyclable components.			
First Grind Hardwood Chips and Mulch	$0.00	$1.00 /cubic yard	New
NOTE: These landfill fees include the State of Texas disposal fee.			
Commercial Hazardous Waste			
Liquid Lab packs (15 gallons/drum)	$8.00 /gallon	$8.00 /gallon	
Solid Lab packs (200 pounds/drum)	$8.00 /pound	$8.00 /pound	
Paint Waste			
Latex Paint	$4.00 /gallon	$4.00 /gallon	
Oil-based Paint	$5.00 /gallon	$5.00 /gallon	
Lead-based Paint Waste	$4.00 /pound	$4.00 /pound	
Solvents	$7.00 /gallon	$7.00 /gallon	
Fluorescent Lamps	$0.25 /linear foot	$0.25 /linear foot	
PCB-containing Ballasts	$3.40 /each	$3.40 /each	
Antifreeze	$0.75 /gallon	$0.75 /gallon	
Oil Filters	$0.50 /each	$0.50 /each	
Batteries			
Lead Acid Batteries	$2.00 /each	$2.00 /each	
Alkaline Batteries	$0.50 /pound	$0.50 /pound	
Ni-Cd Batteries	$4.00 /pound	$4.00 /pound	
Button Batteries	$3.00 /pound	$3.00 /pound	
Lithium Batteries	$3.75 /pound	$3.75 /pound	

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Solid Waste Services			
Commercial Hazardous Waste (continued)			
Aerosol Cans	$0.50 /each	$0.50 /each	
Mercury-contaminated Debris	$20.00 /pound	$20.00 /pound	
Fertilizer	$1.75 /pound	$1.75 /pound	
Grease	$4.00 /pound	$4.00 /pound	
Waste Oil	$0.50 /gallon	$0.50 /gallon	
Pick-up Fee	$60.00 /each	$60.00 /each	

In the event that containers do not meet U.S. Department of Transportation shipping requirements, an overpack surcharge of $210.00 per drum may apply in addition to the above commercial hazardous waste

Materials Recovery Facility

*Processing Charges and Revenue Sharing**

Commingled Containers

Monthly Volume		Processing	Revenue Sharing***	
At Least	Less Than	Cost/Ton**	To City	To Customer
0	100	$77.43	30%	70%
100	200	$77.43	25%	75%
200	300	$77.43	20%	80%
300	400	$77.43	15%	85%
400	500	$77.43	10%	90%
500	and above	$77.43	5%	95%

Recycled Paper and Cardboard

Monthly Volume		Processing	Revenue Sharing***	
At Least	Less Than	Cost/Ton**	To City	To Customer
0	100	$14.64	30%	70%
100	200	$14.64	25%	75%
200	300	$14.64	20%	80%
300	400	$14.64	15%	85%
400	500	$14.64	10%	90%
500	and above	$14.64	5%	95%

*Processing of materials is subject to the availability of processing capacity and may be discontinued or interrupted at any time.
**Processing Cost is based on the gross monthly volume of materials delivered by each customer to the City's MRF.
Additionally, a fee of $21.40 per ton will be charged for the disposal of any non-recyclable materials.
***Shared Revenue is net of shipping costs, if applicable.