



Notice of Public Hearing About Proposed Rate Increases for City Integrated Waste Management Services

The City of Winters will hold a public hearing on November 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in the City of Winters, City Council Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, CA, to consider adopting increases to the rates for its refuse services (also known as integrated waste management services.). These rate increases, if approved, will take effect on November 7, 2018. The public hearing will provide an opportunity for Winters refuse customers to share their thoughts and comments with City officials regarding proposed rate changes and, if desired, to file a protest to the respective fee increases. The reasons for the proposed rate increases are described below.

The City has an exclusive franchise agreement with Waste Management of Winters, CA (“WM”) for the collection and handling of solid waste, including garbage, green waste, recycling, and street sweeping within the City (collectively, “refuse services”). All properties within the City are required to subscribe to the weekly solid waste services provided by WM. Pursuant to the franchise agreement, the City collects refuse service fees from customers who receive solid waste services from WM. The City uses the revenues from the fees to pay WM for the refuse services provided under the franchise agreement.

The franchise agreement establishes rates that WM will charge for solid waste services within the City, and provides certain circumstances under which the rates may be increased. One of those conditions is that the amount paid to WM may be adjusted for increases in disposal costs, including tipping fees (“Tipping Fees”) paid to Yolo County for disposal of solid waste at the Yolo County Central Landfill. Recently, the City received notice that Yolo County is increasing its Tipping Fees from the current rate of \$45.20 per ton to \$50.48 per ton for trash and \$54 to \$62 per ton for Mixed Green Waste. The increase in Tipping Fees results from the County’s need to construct a new landfill module that is consistent with the Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) No. R5—2016-0094, which establishes new requirements to ensure sufficient protection and separation between the landfill and groundwater in the vicinity of the Central Landfill.

The franchise agreement also provides that the amount to be paid WM each year may be adjusted annually for increases in the cost of living. The cost of living adjustment is based on a percentage equal to the percent change in the average Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Water and sewer and trash collection services, Series ID CUUR0000SEHG (“CPI”), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the 12-month period ending nearest to May 1 of each year.

Integrated Waste Management Services Rates

In order to recover increases in the City’s costs of providing solid waste services as a result of the increase to Tipping Fees, the City has determined that it is necessary to increase the rates for its refuse service fees. If adopted, the proposed rates will be effective for services provided on and after November 7, 2018. The proposed rates for single-family residential solid waste service fees are set forth in the table below:

Below are tables showing the current and proposed cost of the most common residential refuse service, and the monthly and yearly increase for each of the most common residential refuse services. Included as attachment A to this notice, is the partial list of services, both residential and non-residential, with the current rate and the proposed rate. Complete list of rates is available at City Hall or online at <http://www.cityofwinters.org/waste-recycling/>

Typical Service Bundle Summary -

- 1-32g Trash/1-96g Recycle/1-96g Green Waste/Yearly Bulky
- 1-64g Trash/1-96g Recycle/1-96g Green Waste/Yearly Bulky
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New Rates Current Rates

\$35.31	\$34.43
\$39.00	\$38.03
\$45.77	\$44.64

In addition to the rate increases provided above, beginning on July 1, 2019, and each July 1 thereafter, through and including July 1, 2023, the rates for the residential solid waste service fees identified above may be adjusted annually for increases in the cost of living based on the CPI (“CPI Adjustment”). Provided, however, in no event shall the rates for the solid waste service fees identified above be adjusted, as a result of the annual CPI Adjustment, by more than the City’s cost of providing solid waste services. Prior to implementing any annual CPI Adjustment, the City must provide written notice of such adjustment to any property owner whose property is subject the payment of the refuse service fees and any tenant directly liable for the payment of such fees. The notice must be mailed not less than 30 days prior to the effective date of any rate adjustment.

You Can be Heard

The City of Winters will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 6, 2017 at a meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Winters Community Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, CA, to consider adopting increases to the rates for its integrated waste management services. Proposition 218 allows customers to object to proposed rate increases prior to, and up until the close of, the public hearing. Any customer of record may submit a written protest to the proposed rate increases. However, only one protest will be counted per identified parcel.

Protests may be submitted by mail or in person (protests submitted by e-mail will not be accepted) to the City Clerk at 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694, or during the public hearing. Any protests received during the public hearing must be received prior to the conclusion of the public comment portion of the public hearing. Please include the words “Public Hearing on Rate Increases” on the front of any envelope submitted with a protest.

A valid written protest must contain:

- A clear statement that the customer/property owner is in opposition to the proposed rate increase;
- Name and signature of customer or property owner;
- Property address or assessor’s parcel number; and
- Written evidence that the signer(s) is/are the owner(s) of the property if the signer(s) was/were not shown on the last equalized assessment roll of Yolo County as the owner(s) of the property (not applicable to non-owner customers).

At the public hearing on November 6, 2018 the City Council will hear and consider all written and oral protests to the proposed integrated waste management services rate increase. Oral comments at the public hearing will not qualify as formal protests unless accompanied by a valid written protest.

At the conclusion of the public hearing, the City Council will consider authorizing the rate increases as described above. If a majority of customers/property owners of the identified parcels upon which the rates are proposed to be imposed file valid written protests against the proposed rate increases, the proposed rate changes will not be imposed. If adopted the proposed rate increases will take effect November 7, 2018.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or the proposed rate increases, please call (530) 794-6704 between 8am and 5pm Monday through Friday.

Attachment A



City of Winters

Effective 11/7/2018

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CPI Change	0.00%
MSW Change	2.53%
C&D Change	-6.00%
GW Change	-0.89%
GW / Food Change	3.31%

SINGLE FAMILY COLLECTION SERVICES	Current Monthly Rate Effective 7/1/2018	Disposal Change	New Total Monthly Rate
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION			
1 - 32 gallon	\$17.99	\$0.46	\$18.45
2 - 32 gallon	\$29.04	\$0.73	\$29.77
3 - 32 gallon	\$40.11	\$1.01	\$41.12
4 - 32 gallon	\$51.15	\$1.29	\$52.44
1 - 64 gallon	\$21.59	\$0.55	\$22.14
2 - 64 gallon	\$38.20	\$0.97	\$39.17
3 - 64 gallon	\$54.82	\$1.39	\$56.21
4 - 64 gallon	\$71.41	\$1.81	\$73.22
1 - 96 gallon	\$28.20	\$0.71	\$28.91
2 - 96 gallon	\$50.24	\$1.27	\$51.51
3 - 96 gallon	\$72.28	\$1.83	\$74.11
4 - 96 gallon	\$94.33	\$2.39	\$96.72
RECYCLING			
1 - 96 gallon	\$2.89	\$0.00	\$2.89
2 - 96 gallon	\$7.11	\$0.00	\$7.11
GREEN WASTE			
96 Gallon Cart EOW + Loose Piles + Leaf Drop Season	\$8.92	\$0.30	\$9.22
Add'l Cubic Yard	\$20.65	\$0.68	\$21.33
LARGE ITEM COLLECTION			
Yearly Bulky Pickup - Up to 5 Cu Yds	\$4.63	\$0.12	\$4.75
Add'l 1 Cu Yd	\$20.65	\$0.52	\$21.17
OTHER SERVICES			
Add'l 1 Cu Yd	\$20.65	\$0.52	\$21.17
32 gallon Cart Exchange/Delivery	\$6.30	\$0.16	\$6.46
64 gallon Cart Exchange/Delivery	\$6.30	\$0.16	\$6.46
96 gallon Cart Exchange/Delivery	\$6.30	\$0.16	\$6.46
SPECIAL SERVICE CHARGES / ANCILLARY CHARGES			
Backyard/Sideyard Pickup Charge	\$11.25	\$0.28	\$11.53
On-call bulky items pickup per yard up to 4 cu yds	\$21.06	\$0.53	\$21.59
Vacation Stop/Restart per incident	\$70.15	\$1.77	\$71.92
Reactivation Charge (if due to non payment) - no delivery	\$54.60	\$1.38	\$55.98
Reactivation Charge (if due to non payment) - with delivery	\$97.07	\$2.46	\$99.53
Bad Check Charge per incident	\$25.00	N/A	\$25.00
Finance / Late Payment Charge	2.5% or minimum \$5.00	N/A	2.5% or minimum \$5.00

COMMERCIAL COLLECTION SERVICES	Current Monthly Rate Effective 7/1/2018	Disposal Change	New Total Monthly Rate
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION			
1 yd 1X week	\$62.42	\$1.58	\$64.00
1.5 yd 1X week	\$93.57	\$2.37	\$95.94
2 yd 1X week	\$124.88	\$3.16	\$128.04
3 yd 1X week	\$187.27	\$4.74	\$192.01
4 yd 1X week	\$249.68	\$6.32	\$256.00
5 yd 1X week	\$312.11	\$7.90	\$320.01
6 yd 1X week	\$374.56	\$9.48	\$384.04
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION			
96 gallon cart 1X week	\$45.95	\$1.16	\$47.11
20yd compactor 1X week	\$459.57	\$11.63	\$471.20
30yd compactor 1X week	\$536.78	\$13.58	\$550.36
MIXED ORGANICS RATES			
32 Gallon Mixed Organics Cart - 1 x Week	\$20.06	\$0.51	\$20.06
64 Gallon Mixed Organics Cart - 1 x Week	\$24.07	\$0.61	\$24.07
2 Yard Mixed Organics Bin* - 1 x Week	\$288.27	\$7.29	\$288.27
3 Yard Mixed Organics Bin* - 1 x Week	\$290.53	\$7.35	\$290.53
PUSH RATES			
0 -75 feet - Per Service Frequency	\$3.90	\$0.10	\$4.00
TEMPORARY INDUSTRIAL COLLECTION SERVICES			
10 cubic yards	\$247.75	\$6.27	\$254.02
20 cubic yards	\$495.54	\$12.54	\$508.08
25 cubic yards	\$588.01	\$14.88	\$602.89
30 cubic yards	\$664.97	\$16.82	\$681.79
35 cubic yards	\$745.81	\$18.87	\$764.68
40 cubic yards	\$817.28	\$20.68	\$837.96
SPECIAL SERVICE CHARGES / ANCILLARY CHARGES			
Cleaning per incident in excess of 1 time per year	\$105.22	\$2.66	\$107.88
Bin Exchange per incident in excess of 1 time per year	\$70.15	\$1.77	\$71.92
Cart Exchange per incident in excess of 1 time per year	\$21.06	\$0.53	\$21.59
Key/Unlock charges	\$4.21	\$0.11	\$4.32
Vacation Stop/Restart	\$70.15	\$1.77	\$71.92
Gate service charges	\$5.61	\$0.14	\$5.75
Long walk charges (20 ft or more)	\$11.25	\$0.28	\$11.53
Excess yards/Snapshot Charge	\$150.00	N/A	\$150.00
Contamination Charge	\$50.00	N/A	\$50.00
Cart Swap / Cleaning Charge	\$125.00	\$3.16	\$125.00
Bin Swap / Cleaning Charge	\$125.00	\$3.16	\$125.00
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All rates include franchise fee 15%