


## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>20-210</b>	Meeting:	<b>May 4, 2020</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>54</b>	Roll Call:	<b>20-787</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Nickolas Schaul, Interim Finance Director</b>		

### AGENDA HEADING:

Amending the Municipal Code Section 98 relating to the monthly fee charge for the collection and disposal of solid waste services (Solid Waste rate increases).

### SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of amending the Municipal Code Sections 98-55, increasing monthly collection fees charged for solid waste services by 5% effective on July 1, 2020; increasing the monthly fee reduction from \$3.46 to \$4.13 for solid waste services for 64-gallon containers for those residential owners who qualify for a fee reduction under the Municipal Code Section 98-55(c) effective on July 1, 2020; increasing the monthly fee reduction from \$3.48 to \$4.20 for solid waste services for 96-gallon containers for those residential owners who qualify for a fee reduction under the Municipal Code Section 98-55(c) effective on July 1, 2020.

Recommend approval of amending the Municipal Code Sections 98-55, increasing monthly collection fees charged for solid waste services by 3% effective on July 1, 2021; increasing the monthly fee reduction from \$4.13 to \$4.56 for solid waste services for 64-gallon containers for those residential owners who qualify for a fee reduction under the Municipal Code Section 98-55(c) effective on July 1, 2021; increasing the monthly fee reduction from \$4.20 to \$4.66 for solid waste services for 96-gallon containers for those residential owners who qualify for a fee reduction under the Municipal Code Section 98-55(c) effective on July 1, 2021. This information was initially presented at the December 16, 2019, Council workshop.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: The monthly solid waste collection fees are proposed to increase by 5% beginning July 1, 2020. The fee reduction for residential owners who qualify under Section 98-55(c) will increase to \$4.13 per month for 64-gallon containers and by \$4.20 per month for 96-gallon containers. The monthly solid waste collection fees are proposed to increase by 3% beginning July 1, 2021. The fee reduction for residential owners who qualify under Section 98-55(c) will increase to \$4.56 per month for 64-gallon containers and by \$4.66 per month for 96-gallon containers. Proposed rates follow:

	<u>Current Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate on 7/01/2020*</u>	<u>Proposed Rate on 7/01/2021*</u>
First 64 gallon	\$ 13.46	\$ 14.13	\$ 14.56
First 96 gallon	\$ 14.48	\$ 15.20	\$ 15.66
Additional 64 gallon	\$ 11.42	\$ 11.99	\$ 12.35
Additional 96 gallon	\$ 12.44	\$ 13.06	\$ 13.45
First 64 gallon subsidized	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
First 96 gallon subsidized	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.00
City of DM dumpster	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.73

\* Rates for subsidized containers are shown after the increased subsidy

Funding Source: Revenues will be deposited in the appropriate solid waste fund accounts for use on operations and capital projects per the budget plan.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- At the December 16, 2019 Council workshop, staff presented the operating plans for Solid Waste.
- Fee increases are needed in the Solid Waste Fund to offset annual increases in operating costs and equipment replacement. After the increase, solid waste rates in the City are still below the average for the largest 10 municipalities in the state and below the average of national peers.

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: May 6, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0737](#) and [19-0738](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 98 of the Municipal Code regarding charges for solid waste collection service. ([Council Communication No. 19-181](#)) Moved by Boesen that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Motion Carried 7-0.

- (A) [Final](#) consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the City Manager), requires six votes. Moved by Boesen that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, [#15,772](#). Motion Carried 7-0.

#### **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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