



Item: Resolution 10039, Establishing Sanitation Service Rates Effective October 8, 2013

From: Laura Lynch, Utilities Operations Supervisor

Initiated By: Public Works and Fiscal Services

Presented By: Melissa Kinzler, Director of Fiscal Services and Jim Rearden, Director of Public Works

Action Requested: Conduct Public Hearing

Public Hearing:

1. Mayor conducts public hearing, calling three times each for proponents and opponents.
2. Mayor closes public hearing and asks the will of the Commission.

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move the City Commission (adopt/deny) Resolution 10039 Establishing Sanitation Service Rates effective October 8, 2013.”
 2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, and calls for the vote.
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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Commission conduct the public hearing and adopt Resolution 10039 to establish sanitation service rates effective October 8, 2013.

Background: Each year, staff reviews and analyzes the financing needs of the sanitation fund to ensure the City has adequate funding necessary for day to day operations, and provide for any capital improvements, emergencies or replacements. OCCGF 8.32.350 requires the Commission to adopt a resolution establishing rates to defray the costs of sanitation services for the fiscal year.

Staff proposes adjusting the sanitation rates to adequately provide service while covering the expenses largely due to the increase in fuel and equipment costs. It is recommended to increase residential and commercial service rates by 10%. The last residential rate increase was in August of 2010 and the last commercial rate increase was in May of 2007.

Concurrences: Public Works and Fiscal Services staff collaborate on past accomplishments and future estimates throughout the annual rate review process. Staff's proposal is then presented to the City Manager for consideration prior to forwarding to the City Commission for deliberation.

Fiscal Impact: Comparisons of current versus proposed charges are attached. The rate increases are necessary to continue providing adequate service and disposal as well as fund capital improvements.

Alternatives: The City Commission could choose to deny Resolution 10039, and sanitary service rates would remain at the existing rates.

Attachments/Exhibits: A. Current versus proposed service rates
B. Resolution 10039

Cc: Ross Bartell, Public Works
Jim Rearden, Public Works

**SANITATION RATES
CURRENT VS PROPOSED RATES**

| <u>RESIDENTIAL</u> | <u>CURRENT</u> | <u>PROPOSED</u> | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| per month | | 10% increase | |
| Regular 65 Gallon | 8.34 | 9.17 | |
| Regular 96 Gallon | 9.96 | 10.96 | |
| Additional 96 Gallon | 5.65 | 6.22 | |
| Senior Citizen | 6.94 | 7.63 | |
| Card Board Recycling | 15.00 | 15.00 | no change |
| Extra Pickup | | | |
| 96 Gallon | 5.65 | 6.22 | |
| <u>COMMERCIAL</u> | | | |
| per month | | | |
| 96 Gallon | 18.40 | 20.24 | |
| 300 Gallon (shared) | 25.25 | 27.78 | |
| 300 Gallon (sole use) or 1.5 yard | 29.60 | 32.56 | |
| 2 yard | 35.40 | 38.94 | |
| 3 yard | 50.80 | 55.88 | |
| 4 yard | | 74.36 | |
| 6 yard loose | 100.63 | 110.69 | |
| 8 yard loose | 133.63 | 147.00 | |
| | | Flats as stated | |
| Extra Pickup | | | |
| 300 Gallon | 8.09 | 8.90 | |
| plus extra's - per minute | 2.00 | 3.00 | 50% increase |
| <i>Charges for other commercial pick-up frequencies per week shall be the rate times the number of pick-ups per week. Large accumulation of material placed for collection may be charged to the customer @ \$3.00 per minute if it takes longer than 2 minutes to load the material.</i> | | | |
| Special Pickup | | | |
| Large appliances | 6.00 | 8.00 | 33% increase |
| Large appliances-with Freon | 26.00 | 28.00 | 8% increase |
| <u>DROP BOX</u> | | | |
| per pick-up | | | |
| 3 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | 40.00 | 44.00 | |
| 20 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | 235.00 | 259.00 | |
| 30 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | 265.00 | 292.00 | |
| 40 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | 290.00 | 319.00 | |
| 30 yard compacted (plus disposal charge) | 175.00 | 193.00 | |
| 40 yard compacted (plus disposal charge) | 175.00 | 193.00 | |
| Flat Rate Surcharge | | 100.00 | |
| Per Day Rental Fees | | | |
| permanent w/ fixed pickup schedule | 2.00 | 2.00 | no change |
| short term rental | 4.00 | 4.00 | no change |
| after 5 days | 2.00 | 2.00 | no change |
| <i>Rates do not include the disposal fee as set forth in the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the City of Great Falls and Montana Waste Systems. Disposal costs will be assessed by actual weight and volumes in accordance with the agreement.</i> | | | |

RESOLUTION 10039

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH RATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 8, CHAPTER 32, OCCGF, FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE COLLECTED FROM CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 8, 2013.

WHEREAS, The City Commission of the City of Great Falls, having met and conducted the hearing this day in regular session at the Civic Center, Great Falls, Montana, at 7:00 P.M., and having considered the cost of operation, equipment and facilities for the solid waste collection and disposal system do hereby establish the basic monthly collection rates charged City customers for, once per week, full service, as follows:

RESIDENTIAL

per month

PROPOSED

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Regular 65 Gallon | \$ 9.17 |
| Regular 96 Gallon | \$ 10.96 |
| Additional 96 Gallon | \$ 6.22 |
| Senior Citizen | \$ 7.63 |
| Card Board Recycling | \$ 15.00 |
| Extra Pickup | |
| 96 Gallon | \$ 6.22 |

COMMERCIAL

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| 96 Gallon | \$ 20.24 |
| 300 Gallon (Shared) | \$ 27.78 |
| 300 Gallon (sole use) or 1.5 yard | \$ 32.56 |
| 2 yard | \$ 38.94 |
| 3 yard | \$ 55.88 |
| 4 yard | \$ 74.36 |
| 6 yard loose | \$110.69 |
| 8 yard loose | \$147.00 |

flats as stated

Extra Pickup

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| 300 Gallon extra pick-up | \$ 8.90 |
| plus extra's - per minute | \$ 3.00 |

Charges for other commercial pickup frequencies per week shall be the rate times the number of pickups per week. Large accumulation of material placed for collection may be charged to the customer @ \$3.00 per minute if it takes longer than 2 minutes to load the material.

Special Pickup

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Large appliances | \$ 8.00 |
| Large appliances with Freon | \$ 28.00 |

DROP BOX

per pick-up

| | |
|--|----------|
| 3 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | \$ 44.00 |
| 20 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | \$259.00 |
| 30 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | \$292.00 |
| 40 yard construction dumpster (plus rental fees) | \$319.00 |
| 30 yard compacted (plus disposal charge) | \$193.00 |
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|---------------------|----------|
| Flat Rate Surcharge | \$100.00 |
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Per Day Rental Fees

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| permanent w/fixed pickup schedule | \$ 2.00 |
| short term rental | \$ 4.00 |
| after 5 days | \$ 2.00 |

Rates do not include the disposal fee as set forth in the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the City of Great Falls and Montana Waste Systems. Disposal costs will be assessed by actual weight and volumes in accordance with the agreement.

Adopted by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this 1st day of October, 2013.

Michael J. Winters, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

Sara R. Sexe, City Attorney