



## CITY OF COVINA

### Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Increase in Residential and Commercial Refuse Collection Service Rates Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. City of Covina Council Chambers, 125 E. College Street, Covina, CA 91723

**Reason for Public Hearing:** The Covina City Council will hold a public hearing on the above date and time to consider adoption of a resolution increasing rates for residential and commercial refuse collection services. This notice is being provided to you pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIID of the California Constitution (Proposition 218) and Section 53755 of the Government Code which require that a notification be sent 45 days in advance of the public hearing, to the address to which the City customarily mails the refuse service bill, for each identified parcel upon which any new or increased refuse rate or charge is being proposed ("customer of record"). You have been identified as a customer of record.

**Public Hearing Process:** All Covina customers of record for refuse service are invited to attend this public hearing. The Covina City Council will hear and consider all materials and testimony concerning these matters, as well as, all written protests against the proposed rate increases. At the close of the public hearing, the City Council will be authorized to adopt new refuse rates and related fees if written protests against the proposed increases are not presented by a majority of identified parcels upon which the proposed rates are to be imposed. If the proposed rates and fees are adopted, the increases will be effective retroactive to July 1, 2016.

**Basis for Rate Increases:** The request for the proposed rate increase is based upon the City's refuse collection franchise agreement with Athens Services ("Franchise Agreement"). The Franchise Agreement provides for increases in refuse rates due to following: (a) the Service Component will automatically be adjusted each July 1<sup>st</sup> in proportion to the increase or decrease in the cost of living as determined by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") for the previous period of January through January for All Urban Consumers in the Los Angeles/Anaheim/Riverside area, (b) the Disposal Component will automatically be adjusted in proportion to the increase or decrease in disposal costs as determined by the percentage change in the MRF Gate Fee, (c) changes in AB 939 refuse recycling and diversion compliance costs, and (d) changes in other operational costs in providing refuse collection services. The Franchise Agreement also permits Special Rate Adjustments when circumstances beyond the control of Athens Services impose or generate extraordinary costs in the performance of the Agreement. The proposed rate increase includes a 3.4% Special Rate Adjustment for the increased transportation and additional processing costs associated with taking Covina's waste to the San Bernardino County Landfill System, rather than Puente Hills Landfill post-closure, and a 0.80% Special Rate Adjustment for impacts associated with the California Paid Sick Leave Law and Los Angeles County minimum wage increases. In addition to the information provided in this notice, the bases for the rate adjustments are detailed in the Agenda Report prepared by the City. The Agenda Report is on file at the City Clerk's Office at 125 E. College Street, Covina, CA and may be reviewed there by any interested person. Revenues derived from the refuse service rates and fees are used solely for the purpose of defraying costs incurred in providing efficient refuse collection services and to ensure continued compliance with State law, including but not limited to, refuse pick-up, transportation and disposal. As required by California Government Code Section 66016, the City has prepared a report that provides data indicating amount of cost, or estimated cost, to provide integrated waste management services and the revenue sources anticipated to provide such services. A copy of the report will be available at the office of the City Clerk on or about October 7, 2016.

**How will the proposed increase affect my refuse and recycling bill?** By way of example, the current residential monthly refuse bill for Basic Service (1-90 gal. black-refuse, 1-90 gal. blue-recyclables, and 1-90 gal. green-yard waste) is \$27.05 per month. If the rate adjustment is approved, the new rate will be \$29.89. The current commercial rate for a 3.0 cubic yard bin serviced one time per week is \$152.33 per month. If the rate adjustment is approved, the new rate will be \$165.25 (**See "Proposed Refuse Rates" chart on the back of this page**). The refuse collection rate and related fees shall thereafter be increased in Fiscal Year 2017-18 (July 1, 2017) and Fiscal Year 2018-19 (July 1, 2018), by a factor equal to the then-applicable increase in CPI (defined above) without conducting another noticed public hearing.

**To protest the proposed rate increases, you must submit a written protest:** If you oppose any of the proposed rate increases, your protest must be submitted in writing to be considered, even if you plan to attend the Public Hearing. Your written protest must be actually received (not postmarked) by the City Clerk of the City of Covina prior to the close of the public hearing. **Oral, telephonic, and e-mail protests will not be accepted.** The protest must be signed by you and include: 1) your name; 2) your street address and assessor's parcel number(s); 3) your City of Covina refuse service account number; and 4) an indication of whether you are a residential and/or commercial customer. Please identify on the front of the envelope, whether mailed or submitted in person, that the enclosed letter is for the "Refuse Rate Increase Public Hearing". You may mail or deliver your written protest to: City of Covina, City Clerk's Office, 125 E. College Street, Covina, CA 91723. The City of Covina is required to follow the "majority protest" procedures outlined in the State Constitution, as approved by California voters through Proposition 218.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Department of Public Works at (626) 384-5480.

## CITY OF COVINA – Schedule of Refuse Rates Effective July 1, 2016

Below is the City of Covina refuse rates effective July 1, 2016. Refuse rates are automatically adjusted each fiscal year, beginning in FY 2016-17 (July 1, 2016) and ending in FY 2018-19 (June 30, 2019), by the annual adjustment based on CPI, without further action on the part of the City Council.

RESIDENTIAL		New Service Component	New Disposal Component	New Net Rate	6% Franchise Fee	Waste Management Fee	New Total Rate
90 Gallon Standard Service		20.26	5.83	26.09	1.67	2.13	29.89
60 Gallon Standard Service		20.26	4.43	24.68	1.58	1.42	27.68
30 Gallon Standard Service		20.26	3.00	23.25	1.48	0.71	25.44
Additional 90 Gallon Black		11.74	4.27	16.01	1.02	2.13	19.16
Additional 90 Gallon Green		4.57	1.58	6.15	0.39	-	6.54
Additional 90 Gallon Blue		3.22	-	3.22	0.21	-	3.43
Manual or Backyard Service		40.04	11.70	51.74	3.30	4.27	59.31
Roll-Out Service		17.80	-	17.80	1.14	-	18.94
COMMERCIAL	Times/Week						
1.5 Cubic Yards (First Bin)	1	72.78	24.79	97.57	6.23	7.15	110.94
	2	115.71	49.60	163.31	10.55	14.30	190.16
	3	158.69	74.39	232.98	14.87	21.45	269.30
	4	201.56	99.17	300.73	19.20	28.60	348.53
	5	244.45	123.97	368.42	23.52	35.75	427.69
	6	300.37	148.77	449.14	28.67	42.90	520.71
1.5 Cubic Yards (Ea. Additional Bin)	1	57.35	24.79	82.14	5.24	7.15	94.53
	2	91.66	49.60	141.26	9.02	14.30	164.57
	3	124.28	74.39	198.66	12.68	21.45	232.79
	4	158.60	99.17	257.78	16.45	28.60	302.83
	5	192.94	123.97	316.91	20.23	35.75	372.89
	6	236.80	148.77	385.57	24.61	42.90	453.09
2 Cubic Yards (First Bin)	1	83.66	33.06	116.73	7.45	9.53	133.71
	2	128.28	66.12	194.41	12.41	19.06	225.88
	3	172.99	99.17	272.16	17.37	28.59	318.13
	4	217.65	132.24	349.89	22.33	38.12	410.34
	5	262.33	165.29	427.62	27.30	47.65	502.57
	6	322.55	198.35	520.90	33.25	57.18	611.33
2 Cubic Yards (Each Additional Bin)	1	66.81	33.06	99.88	6.38	9.53	115.78
	2	100.84	66.12	166.96	10.66	19.06	196.68
	3	136.89	99.17	236.07	15.07	28.59	279.72
	4	171.27	132.24	303.51	19.37	38.12	361.00
	5	207.34	165.29	372.62	23.78	47.65	444.06
	6	255.62	198.35	453.97	28.98	57.18	540.12
3 Cubic Yards (First Bin)	1	92.31	49.60	141.90	9.06	14.29	165.25
	2	141.81	99.17	240.98	15.38	28.58	284.94
	3	191.27	148.77	340.05	21.71	42.87	404.62
	4	240.70	198.35	439.05	28.02	57.16	524.23
	5	290.23	247.94	538.17	34.35	71.45	643.97
	6	353.96	297.52	651.48	41.58	85.74	778.81
3 Cubic Yards (Each Additional Bin)	1	73.45	49.60	123.04	7.85	14.29	145.19
	2	112.61	99.17	211.79	13.52	28.58	253.88
	3	151.73	148.77	300.51	19.18	42.87	362.56
	4	190.91	198.35	389.26	24.85	57.16	471.26
	5	230.13	247.94	478.06	30.51	71.45	580.03
	6	280.09	297.52	577.62	36.87	85.74	700.22
30YD Standard Roll-off (+ dump)		290.72	-	290.72	18.56	17.63/ton	ton-based
30YD C&D Roll-off (+ dump)		450.15	-	450.15	28.73	17.63/ton	ton-based
3 Yard Temporary Bin		160.23	-	160.23	10.23	14.29	184.75
Commercial Barrel		28.71	13.24	41.95	2.68	3.20	47.83
Sweeper Service		14.62	2.69	17.31	-	-	17.31
Organics – Primary 96 gallon cart	1	-	-	104.54	6.67	2.13	113.34
	2	-	-	182.51	11.65	4.26	198.42
	3	-	-	260.49	16.63	6.39	283.51
	4	-	-	338.47	21.60	8.52	368.59
	5	-	-	416.45	26.58	10.65	453.68
	6	-	-	494.43	31.56	12.78	538.77
Organics- Additional 96 gallon cart	1	-	-	88.63	5.66	2.13	96.42
	2	-	-	155.20	9.91	4.26	169.37
	3	-	-	221.79	14.16	6.39	242.34
	4	-	-	288.36	18.41	8.52	315.29
	5	-	-	354.95	22.66	10.65	388.26
	6	-	-	366.54	23.40	12.78	402.72
Compactor Haul		-	-	269.16	17.18	-	286.34
Compactor Disposal/Ton		-	-	100.00	6.38	17.63	124.01