

City Council Agenda Items
and
Contracts, Leases or Agreements

6-Dec-11

City Council Meeting Date
Agenda Items Only

David Jurgens
Submitted By

Solid Waste
Division

Utilities
Department

Action Required:

Approval of an ordinance allowing the inclusion of multi-family recycling costs in the residential unit's solid waste bill.

\$ -
Cost of this request

\$ -
Category / Project Budget

Program Category / Project Name

Account Number

\$ -
Funds Used to Date

Program / Project Category Name

Project Number

\$ -
Remaining Balance

Solid Waste
Fund Name

Budgeted Item

Budget Adjustment Attached

D. Jurgens
Department Director

16 Nov 11
Date

Previous Ordinance or Resolution #

R. Kaufman
City Attorney

11-18-2011
Date

Original Contract Date:

Original Contract Number:

Maria Hartwood
Finance and Internal Services Director

11/21/11
Date

Received in City
Clerk's Office 11-17-11 P03127 RCVD

Don Moran
Chief of Staff

11-22-11
Date

Received in
Mayor's Office
ENTERED
11/21/11

Freddie Jordan
Mayor

11/23/11
Date

Comments:

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To: Fayetteville City Council

Thru: Mayor Lioneld Jordan
Don Marr, Chief of Staff

From: David Jurgens, Utilities Director
Fayetteville Water, Sewer, Solid Waste Committee

Date: November 7, 2011

Subject: Approval of an ordinance allowing the inclusion of apartment recycling costs in apartment solid waste bills

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance allowing the inclusion of apartment recycling costs in the apartment solid waste bill.

BACKGROUND

Apartment recycling presents significant challenges due to space restrictions, contamination, and the wide variety of apartment configurations within the City. After extensive research and key citizen input, staff has identified a technique that we believe will work to provide recycling to some complexes over 100 units. Specifically, one day each week, we will place a new type container, segmented to allow source separation of four different materials, at an apartment complex. We will simultaneously provide containers dedicated to paper and cardboard recycling for a total of six commodities. This technique will allow and encourage residents who wish to recycle to do so conveniently, while minimizing exposure to contamination and only minimally disrupting apartment complex parking and operations. The City is beginning a pilot of this program the first week of November. Solid waste rates for apartments with individual unit water service start at \$9.25 per unit to cover the cost of commercial dumpster service at the complex. The number of units of the apartment complex determines the number of dumpsters required for adequate service, as the owner/manager is required under §50.20 (A)(1) to provide adequate service. The solid waste rate is increased if greater frequency or container size is requested.

DISCUSSION

The cost of providing drop box recycling service to an apartment complex is dictated by location, travel time, and the volume of material deposited. To best comply with state codes and minimize the potential for errors, this proposed ordinance establishes one rate for all units receiving recycling service, when they are individually metered for water (and thus individually charged for solid waste service) or master metered where the complex owner/manager receives the charge for service. The cost of this service has been identified as an average of \$0.95 per apartment unit. The proposed ordinance change adds:

§50.40 (B) (6). The rate for providing multi-family recycling is \$0.95 per month per unit in an apartment complex or multi-family residential complex receiving recycling service. The complex office shall have this same \$0.95 per month per unit added to its solid waste bill as if it were an individual unit in the complex. Customers residing in multi-family complexes which do not receive recycling service will not be charged for recycling service.

BUDGET IMPACT

Most operational costs of these services will be primarily covered by the revenue and expense impacts: (1) additional customer rate revenue; (2) commodity/recyclable material sales revenue; and (3) ton-for-ton reduction in tipping fees by tons diverted away from the landfill.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §50.40 RATES FOR SERVICES OF THE FAYETTEVILLE CODE BY ENACTING A NEW SUBSECTION (B)(6) TO CHARGE \$.95 PER MONTH PER MULTIFAMILY UNIT FOR RECYCLING SERVICES WHEN OFFERED

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby amends §50.40 **Rates for Services** by enacting a new subsection (B)(6) as shown below:

“§50.40 (B)(6). The rate for providing multi-family recycling is \$0.95 per month per unit in an apartment complex or multi-family residential complex receiving recycling service. The complex office shall have this same \$0.95 per month per unit added to its solid waste bill as if it were an individual unit in the complex. Customers residing in multi-family complexes which do not receive recycling service will not be charged for recycling service.”

PASSED and APPROVED this 6th day of December, 2011.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

By: _____
LIONELD JORDAN, Mayor

By: _____
SONDRA E. SMITH, City Clerk/Treasurer

