

**City Of Woodland
Council Agenda Summary Sheet**

Agenda Item:

Ordinance #1296 – An Ordinance Adjusting Rates for Garbage and Refuse Collection and Disposal per Franchise Contract

Agenda Item #: Action (1)

For Agenda of: March 3, 2014

Department: Public Works

Date Submitted: February 27, 2014

Cost of Item: NA

Amount Budgeted: NA

Unexpended Balance: NA

BARS #: Fund 403

Description: Approval of Ordinance #1296 – Solid Waste Control Increase

Department Supervisor Approval: Public Works Department /s/ *Bart Stepp*

Agenda Item Supporting Narrative (list attachments, supporting documents):

- 1) Ordinance #1296
- 2) 12714 Solid Waste Memo to Council
- 3) Exhibit B – Tipping Fee Rate Increase

Summary Statement:

Due to the closure of the Tenant Way Landfill Cowlitz County has purchased the Headquarter's landfill and is now using that landfill for solid waste disposal. Due to the cost to purchase this landfill, the cost for needed improvements, and increased transportation costs from the Waste Control Transfer Station to the landfill, the tipping fee has increase from \$37.30/ton to \$49.00/ton.

The increase tipping fee represents a 5.8% increase in costs for Waste Control to dispose of material from Woodland. This ordinance increases fees 5.8% to match the increased costs.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance. Our tipping fees and overall solid waste costs are still substantially less than any other county in Western Washington. The purchase of the Headquarter's landfill has capacity for 50 plus years capacity and should provide Cowlitz County with low solid waste rates for the foreseeable future.

CITY OF WOODLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 1296

AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING RATES FOR GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL PER FRANCHISE CONTRACT

The City Council of the City of Woodland finds as follows:

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 898 provides that rates charges and fee relating to the collection of garbage and recycle material will be established by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2005, the City of Woodland entered into a franchise contract for Garbage and Refuse Collection and Disposal with Waste Control Equipment, Inc. which addresses rates for the contract period; and

WHEREAS, Waste Control notified the City of Woodland that they were requesting a rate adjustment due to an increase in tipping fees pursuant to the current contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Woodland as follows:

The rates, charges and fees applicable to the City’s solid waste program shall be and are hereby fixed and imposed, effective April 16, 2014, and the Woodland Municipal Code shall be amended as follows:

1. Current Law – Woodland

The current law amended by this ordinance as provided in Ordinance No. 898 and Resolution No. 616 and Ordinances 913 and 611.

2. Woodland Municipal Code

1. RATES – RESIDENTIAL

For the collection and disposal of garbage/refuse at the curbside:

Monthly rates - Weekly Service

Each 60 gallon container	\$11.60 per month
Each 90 gallon container	\$20.08 per month

For the collection and processing of recycle materials:

Monthly rates - Weekly service

60 gallon container	\$ 4.52 per month
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The charge of additional extra units or over-weight units on a regular scheduled pickup day is \$3.11 each.

Container weights cannot exceed 200 lbs. (container and contents). Containers that exceed 200 lbs. will be charged \$3.11 for each 50 lbs. increment over 200 lbs.

2. RATES - SMALL COMMERCIAL

For the collection and disposal of garbage/refuse at the curbside:

Monthly rates - Weekly service *

Each 60 gallon container \$11.60 per month
 Each 90 gallon container \$20.08 per month

* For service more frequent than weekly, multiply the rate set out in this subsection by the number of times per week service is rendered.

The charge of additional extra units or over-weight units on a regular scheduled pickup day is \$3.11 each.

Container weights cannot exceed 200 lbs. (container and contents). Containers that exceed 200 lbs. will be charged \$3.11 for each 50 lbs. increment over 200 lbs.

For the collection and processing of recycle materials:

Monthly rates – Bi-Weekly service

60 gallon container \$ 4.52 per month

The charge of additional extra units or over-weight units on a regular scheduled pickup day is \$3.11 each.

Container weights cannot exceed 200 lbs. (container and contents). Containers that exceed 200 lbs. will be charged \$3.11 for each 50 lbs. increment over 200 lbs.

3. RATES – COMMERCIAL

For the collection and disposal of garbage/refuse:

Monthly rates - Weekly Service *

Each 300 gallon container \$76.06 per month
 Overweight units per 100 lbs over 450 total lbs \$5.66

Each 450 gallon container \$96.14 per month
 Overweight units per 100 lbs over 600 total lbs \$5.66

* For service more frequent than weekly, multiply the rate set out in this subsection by the number of times per week service is rendered.

Additional extra units \$3.11

Front load rates - Non-Compacted Material

<u>With Rent Per Month</u> <u>1 Pick-Up Per Week</u>		<u>Without Rent Per Month</u> <u>1 Pick-Up Per Week</u>	
<u>Size</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2-YD	\$ 123.46	2-YD	\$ 110.88
3-YD	\$ 163.38	3-YD	\$ 149.66
4-YD	\$ 208.33	4-YD	\$ 193.49
5-YD	\$ 245.60	5-YD	\$ 229.64
6-YD	\$ 274.21	6-YD	\$ 257.12

NOTE: All front-load containers that exceed the weight limits below will be charged \$11.32 per yard fee per pick-up.

- 2-YD front load container weight cannot exceed 600 lbs of contents.
- 3-YD front load container weight cannot exceed 900 lbs of contents.
- 4-YD front load container weight cannot exceed 1200 lbs of contents.
- 5-YD front load container weight cannot exceed 1500 lbs of contents.
- 6-YD front load container weight cannot exceed 1800 lbs of contents.

COMMERCIAL RECYCLING:

For the collection and processing of recycle materials:

Monthly rates - Weekly service *

60 gallon container	\$ 9.05 per month
90 gallon container	\$12.78 per month
300 gallon container	\$50.33 per month

The charge of additional extra units or over-weight units on a regular scheduled pickup day is \$2.82 each.

Container weights cannot exceed 200 lbs. (container and contents). Containers that exceed 200 lbs. will be charged \$2.82 for each 50 lbs. increment, or fraction of, over 200 lbs.

* For service more frequent than weekly, multiply the rate set out in this subsection by the number of times per week service is rendered.

4. **NON-CURB ROLL-OUT SERVICE (includes Residential & Commercial for both garbage/ refuse and recycling rates)**

For the garbage/refuse and recycle residents and commercial places of businesses that find it necessary for the CONTRACTOR, to move their container to a placement point, for the collection of, the following rates will apply:

Monthly rates - Weekly Service * #

60-90 gallon container	\$ 5.66 per month
300 gallon container	\$14.13 per month
450 gallon container	\$16.96 per month

* For service more frequent than weekly, multiply the rate set out in this subsection by the number of times per week service is rendered.

For bi-weekly service, the rate per month would be one half the monthly rate as set out in this subsection.

Roll Out Charges – Front load Containers

Charges for containers. The company will assess rollout charges where, due to circumstances outside the control of the driver, the driver is required to move a container more than five feet, but less than twenty-five feet, in order to reach the truck. The charge for this rollout service is:

\$3.15 per container, per pickup each way (pulled out and returned.)

5. **RATES - DROP BOX - NONCOMPACTED MATERIAL**

For the collection and disposal of garbage or refuse from commercial and/or industrial sources, the following rates and charges will apply:

<u>Container Capacity</u>	<u>20 Yards</u>	<u>30 Yards</u>	<u>40 Yards</u>
Delivery Fee from Woodland	\$ 42.44	\$ 42.44	\$ 42.44
Delivery Fee from Longview	\$ 79.96	\$ 79.96	\$ 79.96
Drop Box Haul Fee	\$120.63	\$121.94	\$124.56
Daily Drop Box Rent (deposit may be collected)	\$ 3.15	\$ 3.15	\$ 3.15
Monthly Drop Box Rent	\$ 59.21	\$ 72.32	\$ 85.68
Disposal Fee *	\$ 49.00/ton	\$ 49.00/ton	\$ 49.00/ton

6. RATES - STATIONARY PACKER - COMPACTED MATERIAL

<u>Container Capacity</u>	<u>20 Yards</u>	<u>30 Yards</u>	<u>40 Yards</u>
Compactor Haul Fee	\$144.43	\$145.76	\$148.44
Monthly Compactor Rent (if owned by hauler)	Contact Hauler for Information		
Disposal Fee *	\$ 49.00/ton	\$ 49.00/ton	\$ 49.00/ton

* or current tipping fee as set by Cowlitz County

7. RATES - LOOSE AND BULKY MATERIAL

For the removal of loose and bulky garbage or refuse, the following rates will apply:

<u>Bulky Materials</u>	<u>Loose Materials</u>
\$16.68 per yard	\$26.58 per yard

8. EXTRA CHARGE - RETURN TRIP

If it is necessary that the collector makes a return trip to pick up garbage or refuse because of a failure of the occupant to place the garbage cans in the designated area, a seven dollar thirty five cent (\$7.35) charge will be made in addition to other regular rates established in this exhibit.

9. RATES - RESIDENTIAL - SENIOR CITIZENS' DISCOUNT

A discount, not to exceed two dollars eighty five cents (\$2.85) per month in residential rates, may be allowed to a head of household over the age of sixty-two years who applies and qualifies for such discount pursuant to Section 13.08.140 of the Woodland Municipal Code.

3. Severability

If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or constitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

4. Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after its publication in the media or paper of record as required by law.

5. Publishing

A Summary of this Ordinance shall be published.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning April 16, 2014.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING 17th day of March, 2014.

CITY OF WOODLAND, WASHINGTON

Approved:

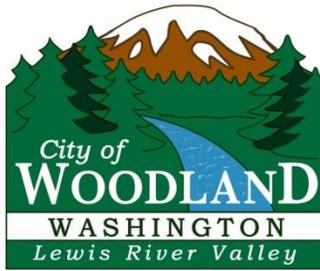
Grover B. Laseke, Mayor

Attest:

Mari E. Ripp, Clerk / Treasurer

Approved as to form:

William J. Eling, City Attorney



City Council Memo

Date: January 27, 2014

From: Bart Stepp, PE, Public Works Director

To: City Council, Mayor, and Department Heads

Subject: Solid Waste Issues and Waste Control

Headquarters Landfill Costs

On August 14th, 2013 I attended a meeting of the Cowlitz County Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The primary purpose of the meeting was to receive an update on the Headquarters Landfill Acquisition and Re-permitting Project and to make an advisory recommendation to the Cowlitz County Commissioners on a rate increase to support the purchase and operation of the new Headquarters Landfill. At that meeting the committee voted to increase the tipping fee from \$37.30/Ton to \$49/Ton. This was discussed back at the August 26th, 2013 workshop.

The current tipping fee that the City of Woodland pays to Cowlitz County is \$37.30/Ton of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW). This is the cost to process waste at the transfer facility and to dispose of it at the landfill. The variable cost between the Cities is the cost to collect MSW and haul it to the transfer facility for processing.

The Tenant Way landfill closed in December of 2013. Since then solid waste has been taken to the Headquarters Landfill. The increase in fees associated with moving to the Headquarters Landfill includes needing to pay for the debt on the \$35 Million Bond to purchase the landfill, a \$10 Million project to install a leachate line from the landfill to the Three Rivers Treatment Plant, other capital upgrades, as well as the additional hauling costs to transport MSW to the Headquarters Landfill from the Waste Control Transfer Station. At the rate of \$49/Ton the price is still the cheapest of any county in Western Washington. Clark County is at \$87.31/Ton, Lewis \$84.95/Ton, Skamania \$150/Ton, and Wahkiakum \$140/Ton. The alternative to purchasing the Headquarters Landfill was long hauling the waste by train to Eastern Washington which was substantially more expensive than the landfill.

While the tipping fee increase is over 32%, residents will not see that level of increase in their bills. This is because the tipping fee is only a portion of the costs to determine garbage rates. The spreadsheet on the next page shows the increase to the resident to pay for the tipping fee. At the August workshop a cost increase of 4.4% was projected based on 2012 revenues and

expected 2013 tonnage which was the best available data at the time. The proposed increase to be voted on in March is 5.8%. This is based on more accurate numbers of comparing actual 2013 revenue with actual 2013 tonnages.

Impacts to Woodland Solid Waste Rates		
2013 Residential Garbage Rate:	\$ 10.96	per month
Woodland Municipal Solid Waste Handled:	2,187	tons in 2013
Revenue from rates:	\$ 504,669	\$ in 2013
Increase in revenue needed:	\$ 25,588	(=2,187 tons*\$11.70)
15% Administration Fee	\$ 3,838	Existing percentage
Total New Revenue Needed	\$ 29,426	
Percentage increase in revenue:	5.8%	(= \$29,426/\$504,669)
Rate increase needed:	\$ 0.64	(=\$10.96 *5.8%)
Rates after new tip fee	\$ 11.60	(=\$10.96 + \$0.64)
The 5.8% increase would apply equally to all residential and commercial rates.		

Schedule for implementation of rate increase

Below is the schedule for notice and voting on the rate increase.

- 1/27/2014 Council workshop to review proposed rate increase
- 1/31/2014 Notice to paper
- 2/5 & 2/12/14 Publish notice for two consecutive weeks
- 2/25/2014 Notice in Utility Bills for effective date of April 16th or April 25th billing
- 3/3/2014 Council meeting – ordinance 1st Reading
- 3/17/2014 Council meeting – ordinance Final Reading
- 3/21/2014 Notice of ordinance / rate increase to paper
- 3/26/2014 Publish date of ordinance
- 3/31/2014 Effective date actually would be 4/16/2014 to coincide with billing

Staff considers the proposed rate increase reasonable and recommends approval. Not approving the increase would be in violation of our contract with Waste Control.

Sincerely,



Bart Stepp, PE
 City of Woodland
 Public Works Director

City of Woodland -Tipping Fee Rate Increase
 Ordinance No. 1296 (amending Ordinance No. 1250)
 Amendment to Exhibit B of Waste Control Contract
 5.8% Rate Increase
 Effective 4/16/2014

Residential - Monthly Rates for Weekly Service

<u>Service Level</u>	10/16/2012		4/16/2014
	<u>Old Rate</u>	increase	<u>New Rate</u>
Each 60 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$10.96	5.80%	\$11.60
Each 90 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$18.98	5.80%	\$20.08
Each 60 Gallon recycling container:	\$4.27	5.80%	\$4.52
Additional extra units	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11
Over-weight units per 50 lbs over 200 total lbs	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11

Small Commercial - Monthly Rates for Weekly Service

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Each 60 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$10.96	5.80%	\$11.60
Each 90 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$18.98	5.80%	\$20.08
Additional extra units	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11
Over-weight units per 50 lbs over 200 total lbs	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11

Small Commercial - Monthly Rates for Bi-Weekly Service

Each 60 Gallon recycling container:	\$4.27	5.80%	\$4.52
Additional extra units	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11
Over-weight units per 50 lbs over 200 total lbs	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11

Commercial - Monthly Rates for Weekly Service

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Each 300 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$71.89	5.80%	\$76.06
Over-weight units per 100 lbs over 450 total lbs	\$5.35	5.80%	\$5.66
Each 450 Gallon garbage/refuse container:	\$90.87	5.80%	\$96.14
Over-weight units per 100 lbs over 600 total lbs	\$5.35	5.80%	\$5.66
Additional extra units	\$2.94	5.80%	\$3.11

Non-Compacted Material Front-Load Container with Rent Once a Week Pickup

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
2 Yard container:	\$116.69	5.80%	\$123.46
3 Yard container:	\$154.42	5.80%	\$163.38
4 Yard container:	\$196.91	5.80%	\$208.33
5 Yard container:	\$232.14	5.80%	\$245.60
6 Yard container:	\$259.18	5.80%	\$274.21
2 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 600 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
3 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 900 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
4 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1200 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
5 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1500 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
6 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1800 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32

Non-Compacted Material Front-Load Container Without Rent Once a Week Pickup

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
2 Yard container:	\$104.80	5.80%	\$110.88
3 Yard container:	\$141.46	5.80%	\$149.66
4 Yard container:	\$182.88	5.80%	\$193.49
5 Yard container:	\$217.05	5.80%	\$229.64
6 Yard container:	\$243.02	5.80%	\$257.12
2 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 600 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
3 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 900 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
4 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1200 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
5 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1500 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32
6 yd Over-weight units per Yard over 1800 total lbs	\$10.70	5.80%	\$11.32

Commercial Recycling - Monthly Rates for Weekly Service

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Each 60 Gallon recycling container:	\$8.55	5.80%	\$9.05
Each 90 Gallon recycling container:	\$12.08	5.80%	\$12.78
Each 300 Gallon recycling container:	\$47.57	5.80%	\$50.33
Additional extra units	\$2.67	5.80%	\$2.82
Over-weight units per 50 lbs over 200 total lbs	\$2.67	5.80%	\$2.82

NON-CURB ROLL-OUT Service - Monthly Rates for Weekly Service

Includes Residential and Commercial for both garbage/refuse and recycling rates

<u>Service Level</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Each 60-90 Gallon container:	\$5.35	5.80%	\$5.66
Each 300 Gallon container:	\$13.36	5.80%	\$14.13
Each 450 Gallon container:	\$16.03	5.80%	\$16.96

Dropbox - Non-Compacted Material Per Service

<u>Service</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>
20 yd Delivery Fee from Woodland (no travel needed)	\$42.44
30 yd Delivery Fee from Woodland (no travel needed)	\$42.44
40 yd Delivery Fee from Woodland (no travel needed)	\$42.44
20 yd Delivery Fee from Longview (travel needed)	\$79.96
30 yd Delivery Fee from Longview (travel needed)	\$79.96
40 yd Delivery Fee from Longview (travel needed)	\$79.96
20 yd Dropbox Haul Fee	\$120.63
30 yd Dropbox Haul Fee	\$121.94
40 yd Dropbox Haul Fee	\$124.56
20 yd Daily Box Rent	\$3.15
30 yd Daily Box Rent	\$3.15
40 yd Daily Box Rent	\$3.15
20 yd Monthly Box Rent	\$59.21
30 yd Monthly Box Rent	\$72.32
40 yd Monthly Box Rent	\$85.68
Disposal Fee* - Any Size Box	\$49.00

Stationary Packer - Compacted Material Per Service

<u>Service</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>
20 yd Compactor Haul Fee	\$144.43
30 yd Compactor Haul Fee	\$145.76
40 yd Compactor Haul Fee	\$148.44
Disposal Fee* - Any Size Box	\$49.00

* or current tipping fee as set by Cowlitz County

Loose and Bulky Material Removal

<u>Service</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Removal of Bulky garbage or refuse per yard	\$15.77	5.80%	\$16.68
Removal of Loose garbage or refuse per yard	\$25.12	5.80%	\$26.58

Return Trip Charge

<u>Service</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		<u>New Rate</u>
Return trip to pickup garbage or refuse	\$6.95	5.80%	\$7.35

Residential - Senior Citizens' Discount

<u>Service</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>		
Discount per Month	\$2.69	5.80%	\$2.85