

**One-reading ordinance amending various sections of the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 21, Solid Waste, by revising applicable fees, rates, and charges.**

**WHEREAS**, the fees, rates, and charges (“rates and charges”) established for the collection and disposal of solid waste are located in various sections of Chapter 21 of the Corpus Christi Code of Ordinances (“Code”) and need to be revised.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.** Various sections of Chapter 21, “Solid Waste,” of the Code of Ordinances are amended by revising the rates and charges for the collection and disposal of solid waste, with the relevant sections’ new text shown underlined and deleted text shown stricken, to read as follows:

**“Sec. 21-40. Charges—For collection services within the City of Corpus Christi.**

“(a) The following charges apply to the collection of solid waste from solid waste operations department customers located within the limits of the City of Corpus Christi. In addition to the charges listed below, each customer is liable for any applicable federal/state surcharges or fees specified in section 21-20 and state and city taxes. The charges for collection services are:

Type	Description	Minimum Charge Per Month or Fraction Thereof Collection
(1)	One-family dwelling	<del>\$16.91</del> <u>17.76</u>
(2)	Two-family dwelling on one (1) water and/or gas meter	<del>\$37.20</del> <u>39.06</u>
(3)	Two-family dwelling to eight-family dwelling on separate water and/or gas meters	<del>\$16.91</del> <u>17.76</u> each unit
(4)	Apartment	<del>\$16.91</del> <u>17.76</u> per unit
(5)	One-family dwelling and single apartment on one (1) water and/or gas meter	<del>\$37.20</del> <u>39.06</u>
(6)	Apartment house, travel trailer park, or manufactured home park on one (1) water and/or gas meter	<del>\$16.91</del> <u>17.76</u> per unit
(7)	Apartment house, travel trailer park, or manufactured home park—Each apartment, travel trailer pad, or manufactured home site on separate water and/or gas meter	<del>\$16.91</del> <u>17.76</u> per unit
(8)	Additional charge for rear door pick up on any type above	<del>\$13.05</del> <u>13.70</u> per unit
(8.1)	Commercial customer, on one (1) water and/or gas meter	<del>\$37.20</del> <u>39.06</u>

(9)	Additional truckloads of yard waste, heavy brush, clean wood waste, or bulky items at time of scheduled yard waste, heavy brush, or bulky item collection	<del>\$82.50</del> <u>86.63</u> per truckload
(10)	Surcharge for bulky item pick up	<del>\$13.20</del> <u>13.86</u> per item
(11)	Special non-scheduled yard waste, heavy brush, clean wood waste, debris, or bulky items collection, including pick up of yard waste, heavy brush, clean wood waste, debris, and bulky items set out more than five days prior to the scheduled pick up of brush, waste, debris, or bulky items and that is a traffic, safety, or health hazard	Actual cost not to exceed <del>\$220.00</del> <u>231.00</u> per truckload
(12)	Reserved	Reserved
(13)	Surcharge for tires set out for collection on a non-designated collection day; size of tires must be 20 inches or less in diameter	<del>\$5.50</del> <u>5.78</u> per tire
(14)	Garbage cart delivery fee—assessed for every second and additional residential cart delivered and for every third commercial cart delivered per account	<del>\$11.00</del> <u>11.55</u> per cart
(14.1)	Monthly collection fee on second and additional residential carts and commercial carts	<del>\$10.00</del> <u>10.50</u> per cart
(15)	Improvements to solid waste services	<del>\$2.39</del> <u>2.51</u> per month
(16)	Recycling education—Surcharge	<del>\$0.25</del> <u>0.26</u> per month
(17)	Solid waste capital improvements	<del>\$1.50</del> <u>1.58</u> per month
(18)	Non-scheduled cart collection—Assessed for service or for removal of cart when cart is an immediate hazard to vehicular traffic on a street or alley or to pedestrian movement on a sidewalk, or when cart is left out for collection and remains present on an undesignated collection day	<del>\$11.00</del> <u>11.55</u> per incident
(19)	Super bag collection service (sales tax included)	\$135.00 each
(20)	Special waste collection fee – recycling cart	<del>\$25.00</del> <u>26.25</u>

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**“Sec. 21-41. Charges—For disposal services.**

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“(e) The following fee schedule applies to each load of solid waste deposited at a disposal site operated by the department:

“(1) *Residential customers.*

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“(2) *Commercial vehicles – Landfill (tipping rate).*

A	Solid waste by weight	<del>\$40.11</del> <u>43.05</u> per ton*
B	Loose load of solid waste, not weighed	<del>\$11.12</del> <u>11.94</u> per cubic yard*
C	Compacted load of solid waste, not weighed	<del>\$14.56</del> <u>15.63</u> per cubic yard*
D	Construction and demolition debris, not weighed	<del>\$14.56</del> <u>\$15.63</u> per cubic yard*
E	Heavy brush and yard waste, not weighed	<del>\$14.56</del> <u>15.63</u> per cubic yard*
F	Commercial vehicle transporting household waste for a residential customer when accompanied by the residential customer. (The residential customer must be the driver or a passenger in the commercial vehicle or arrive in a separate vehicle at the landfill with the residential customer's waste.)	No charge

“ \* Includes state disposal fee, state/federal mandated surcharges as provided by section 21-42.

“ (3) *Commercial vehicles – Transfer station (tipping rate).*

A	Solid waste by weight	<del>\$41.89</del> <u>48.03</u> per ton*
B	Loose load of solid waste, not weighed	<del>\$11.62</del> <u>13.33</u> per cubic yard*
C	Compacted load of solid waste, not weighed	<del>\$15.20</del> <u>17.44</u> per cubic yard*
D	Construction and demolition debris, not weighed	<del>\$15.20</del> <u>17.44</u> per cubic yard*
E	Heavy brush and yard waste, not weighed	<del>\$15.20</del> <u>17.44</u> per cubic yard*
F	Commercial vehicle transporting household waste for a residential customer when accompanied by the residential customer. (The residential customer must be the driver or a passenger in the commercial vehicle or arrive in a separate vehicle at the landfill with the residential customer's waste.)	No charge

“ \* Includes state disposal fee, state/federal mandated surcharges as provided by section 21-42.

“ (4) *Special fees.*

A	Clean, uncontaminated dirt that is suitable for landfill use (as determined by landfill superintendent or designee of the superintendent)	No charge
B	Clean wood waste, heavy brush, or rubble suitable for recycling, including crushed concrete, asphalt, bricks, etc.	<del>\$11.00</del> <u>12.65</u> per ton
C	Large household appliances, such as stoves, washing machines, clothes dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators, or other similar items, except large household appliances transported in a non-commercial vehicle by a residential customer who resides within the city	<del>\$11.50</del> <u>13.23</u> each

D	Tires	
	Automobile	<del>\$2.00</del> <u>2.25</u>
	Truck or large trailer tires (16—19")	<del>\$3.25</del> <u>3.75</u>
	Tractor tires (≤20")	<del>\$4.75</del> <u>5.50</u>
	Larger than 20"	Market price as determined by director
	Cut into quarters or more	Tipping fee rate
E	Vehicles with loads not adequately secured so as to prevent any of the contents of the transported load from being ejected or dropped during transport of the load	<del>\$12.00</del> <u>14.00</u>
F	Use of scales	<del>\$27.78</del> <u>31.95</u>
G	Any solid waste that requires special preparation, handling, or cover	As determined by the director

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**“Sec. 21-47. Municipal solid waste system service charge.**

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“(b) The municipal solid waste system service charge for all waste collected is:

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“(6) For customers within the city, who are billed by the permitted solid waste hauler for hire by the volume of the dumpster and frequency of service, if their permitted solid waste hauler for hire pays the tipping rate published in subsection 21-41(e)(2)a., the municipal solid waste system service charge will be credited with ~~one dollar and nine cents (\$1.09)~~ forty-nine cents (\$0.49) for the portions of the charge that are collected through the tipping fee. The municipal solid waste system service charge, with the credit, is ~~thirty-one cents (\$0.31)~~ ninety-one cents (\$0.91) per cubic yard of capacity each time the customer's dumpster is serviced. Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, if the hauler pays the tipping fee at the time the hauler disposes; of the solid waste, the municipal solid waste system service charge must be paid at the time the hauler disposes of the solid waste at the disposal site operated by the department. For customers located within the city, who are billed by their permitted solid waste hauler for hire by the volume of the roll-off box and frequency of service, if their permitted solid was hauler for hire has a put or pay contract with the city and disposes of the customer's solid waste at a disposal site operated by the department, the municipal solid waste system service charge will be credited with one dollar and twenty-nine cents (\$1.29) for the portions of the charge that are collected through the hauler's acceptance fee.

The municipal solid waste system charge, with the credit, is two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) per cubic yard of capacity each time the customer's roll-off box is serviced. For customers located within the city, who are billed by their permitted solid waste hauler for hire by volume of the roll-off box and frequency of service, if their permitted solid waste hauler for hire pays the tipping rate published in subsection 21-41(e)(2)a., the municipal solid waste system service charge will be credited ~~two dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$2.87)~~ one dollar and twenty-nine cents (\$1.29) for portions of the charge that are collected through the tipping fee. The municipal solid waste system service charge, with the credit, is ~~eighty-two cents (\$0.82)~~ two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) per cubic yard of capacity each time the customer's roll-off box is serviced.

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**Section 2.** If, for any reason, any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgement or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance, for it is the definite intent of this City Council that every section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision hereof be given full force and effect for its purpose.

**Section 3.** This ordinance takes effect October 1, 2022; provided, however, that the increases to the tipping fees stated in Section 1 of this ordinance, specifically in Sections 21-41(e)(2) and (3), as made applicable to permitted solid waste haulers holding either an 80% or a 100% guaranteed waste volume contract with the City, take effect on and after January 1, 2023.

**Section 4.** Upon the written request of the Mayor or a majority of the members of the City Council, copy attached, the City Council: (1) finds and declares an emergency due to the need for immediate action necessary for the efficient and effective administration of City affairs; and (2) suspends the City Charter rule that requires consideration of and voting upon ordinances at two regular meetings so that this ordinance is passed and takes effect upon first reading as an emergency measure on this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
Corpus Christi, Texas

For the reasons set forth in the emergency clause of the foregoing ordinance, an emergency exists requiring suspension of the City Charter rule as to consideration and voting upon ordinances at two regular meetings: I/we, therefore, request that you suspend said Charter rule and pass this ordinance finally on the date it is introduced or at the present meeting of the City Council.

Respectfully,

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Council Members

Respectfully,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Paulette Guajardo  
Mayor

The above ordinance was passed by the following vote:

Paulette Guajardo \_\_\_\_\_  
Roland Barrera \_\_\_\_\_  
Gil Hernandez \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Hunter \_\_\_\_\_  
Billy Lerma \_\_\_\_\_

John Martinez \_\_\_\_\_  
Ben Molina \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Pusley \_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Smith \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rebecca Huerta  
City Secretary

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Paulette Guajardo  
Mayor