

City Council Staff Report

Subject: Solid Waste Collection Service (Recology) Rate Increase

Date: June 27, 2023

Submitted By: Justin Nartker, Public Services Director

Department: Public Services

Recommendation:

A. Conduct a public hearing to hear testimony regarding the proposed amended Solid Waste Collection Service Rates and, if there is no majority protest;

B. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Amending Solid Waste Collection Service Rates within the Incorporated Limits of the City of Rocklin and Rescinding Resolution No. 2022-150.

Background:

On May 9, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-63, which established Tuesday, June 27, 2023, as a Public Hearing to allow an opportunity for owners of property and customers served by Recology Auburn Placer to appear and protest the proposed increase in fees. The rate adjustment request consists of a Cost of Living Increase of 5.7%, however the Franchise Agreement with the City of Rocklin has a maximum yearly increase of 4.0%. The remaining 1.7% will be rolled into the following year per the Franchise Agreement. Resolution No. 2023-63 also authorized the City Clerk to give additional notice of the proposed increase and Public Hearing as required by law. Written notice of the proposed rates and public hearing was provided by Recology Auburn Placer to its customers as required by law. Written protest and comment letters received prior to the posting of the agenda are included in Attachment 4. Any protest and comment letters received after the agenda has posted will be provided to the City Council via a blue memo.

Recology Auburn Placer continues to perform their obligations as outlined in the Franchise Agreement. They are responsive to citizen concerns and requests from the City. In addition to standard weekly service, Rocklin residents also receive green waste pickup, street sweeping, curbside e-waste recycling, spring cleanup, cardboard recycling and dead (large) animal pickup.

The current and proposed collection rates for common items are reflected in Attachment 3.

Fiscal Impact:

The proposed COLA of 4% will be charged to the customer and will result in a minor increase to the City's franchise fee revenue.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Resolution Exhibit A Rates
- 3. Common Collection Rates chart
- 4. Protest and Comment Letters