



## City Council Staff Report

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**Subject:** Setting a Public Hearing on Delinquent Refuse Collection Charges

**Date:** May 9, 2023

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**Department:** Administrative Services - Finance

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**Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Setting a Public Hearing on Delinquent Refuse Collection Charges.

**Background:**

Each year, pursuant to the terms of the franchise agreement with Recology Auburn Placer (Recology), the City assists Recology with the collection of delinquent solid waste collection fees within the City of Rocklin. If the fees are not paid, the City has the right, under state law, to administer special assessment liens against the properties through the County property tax bills. To begin this process, the City must first schedule a public hearing on the report of delinquent fees, and notify affected landowners of the hearing.

Pursuant to Rocklin Municipal Code section 13.08.110(C) and California Government Code sections 25831 and 38790.1, refuse collection fees that remain unpaid for a period of 60 or more days after the date upon which they were billed may constitute a special assessment against the respective parcels of land and are a lien on the property.

Pursuant to the City's franchise agreement with Recology, the City shall assist with the collection of unpaid bills for services provided to customers on accounts that are more than 180 days delinquent. The City has typically assisted Recology with the collection of unpaid bills by asking the County to add these bills as levies on the property tax rolls as allowed by State law. If the City intends to impose the special assessment liens on parcels with unpaid refuse collection charges, state law requires the City first hold a public hearing and notify affected landowners.

Therefore, a public hearing is scheduled for June 13, 2023, at the City of Rocklin City Hall, located at 3970 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, on or after the hour of 6:00 PM. At the conclusion of the hearing, and after considering any objections or protests of landowners liable to be liened for delinquent fees, adopt a resolution establishing a lien on the property tax roll on those properties for which services were rendered to the owner thereof for collection of refuse collection charges.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The City charges a fee of 15% of delinquent charges for parcels that require the processing of a property tax lien. The exact amount of the City fees associated with City collection efforts will be known for the public hearing on June 13, 2023.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- [1. Resolution](#)