



**CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

**Meeting Date:** February 7, 2023

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**From:** B. Francis, City Manager

**Subject:** Request of JJs Waste and Recycling

**Background:** JJs Waste and Recycling is requesting the City pay for a cost increase passed along to them from the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). The MRF, the facility that separates and prepares single-stream recycling materials to be sold to end buyers, is run by Waste Management. The cost, per ton, increased in December from \$72.70 to \$95.00 (an increase of 22.30/ton).

Solid waste and recycling is charged as a non-ad valorem assessment on the property tax bill. It cannot be changed once the TRIM notice comes out in July. That would mean the resident will not see this increase until their next tax bill in 2024. However, either the City, JJs, or both will have to absorb the cost for this year.

Based on the reports submitted by JJs to the City, we estimate the average cost increase to be \$12,000 for this year.

**Staff Recommendation:** Although JJs received an 8% increase in October, the staff believes that the request is justified; however the City Manager is requesting the Council direct the City Manager to negotiate with JJs for this year's cost increase.

**Suggested Motion:** I move we direct the City Manager to negotiate the cost increase with JJs Waste and Recycling.

**Alternatives:** Reject JJs request for additional funding.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$12,000 from the General Fund

**Attachments:** Request Letter from JJ's  
Letter from MRF  
Recycling Reports