

Date: April 17, 2023

SUBJECT: City of Fort Worth Environmental Collection Center Rate Increase

Dear Participating City,

I would like to thank you for being a customer to the City of Fort Worth, Environmental Collection Center (ECC). Over the last 25 years, the ECC has grown from servicing 5,000 households per year to disposing of waste from more than 30,000 homes annually. We have accomplished this with limited pricing adjustments since inception, even maintaining pricing during the COVID pandemic as to not further burden cities with additional costs during that time.

As we discussed earlier this year, due to a dramatic increase in disposal costs, we must raise the price for citizens to dispose of household chemical waste at the ECC. We did consider the stakeholder feedback received at previous meetings and elected to delay any cost increase until October 2023 to ensure that jurisdictions have time to communicate this change with residents

Effective October 1, 2023 the cost per household to properly dispose of chemical waste at the ECC will go from \$50 to \$95. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, we anticipate this rate will remain in effect through September 30, 2025.

We have avoided raising our prices for as long as possible, but we can no longer prolong the inevitable. Thank you for being a participating city and we look forward to working with you in the future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 817-392-5153 or james.keezell@fortworthtexas.gov.

Sincerely,

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