

AN ORDINANCE

No. \_\_\_\_\_

An Ordinance amending Article VII of Chapter 13 of the Columbus Code Solid Waste Collection and Disposal by changing the monthly residential garbage fee and updating the guidelines for an offset to the residential rate for low-income households; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Section 13-169.1 (a) of the Columbus Code of Ordinances is hereby deleted in its entirety and a new Section 13-169.1 (a) is inserted to read as follows:

“(a) A charge for the services of collection and disposal of garbage, trash, and other solid waste including yard waste, in Columbus, Georgia for any residential property shall be as follows:

(1) A rate of \$21.00 per month for a full cost collection service at the curb or on city right-of-way.

(2) An offset of 25% per month, rounded to the nearest dime, for a low-income household collection service at the curb or on the city right-of-way.

A low income household is one which receives food stamps, aid to families with dependent children or has a total yearly income below the poverty income line guidelines for family units in the United States set by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor, said guidelines now being set forth presently in the Federal Register, Vol. 89, No. 11, January 17, 2024 (Document no. 2024-00796), pp. 2961-2963 as follows:

SIZE OF FAMILY UNIT	POVERTY
1	\$ 15,060
2	\$ 20,440
3	\$ 25,820
4	\$ 31,200
5	\$ 36,580
6	\$ 41,960

7	\$ 47,340
8	\$ 52,720
For each additional person, add	\$ 5,380

“Such guidelines will be adjusted annually according to the Federal Register.”

SECTION 2.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, an adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____
Councilor Begly voting	_____
Councilor Cogle voting	_____
Councilor Crabb voting	_____
Councilor Davis voting	_____
Councilor Garrett voting	_____
Councilor Hickey voting	_____
Councilor Huff voting	_____
Councilor Thomas voting	_____
Councilor Tucker voting	_____

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. “Skip” Henderson, III, Mayor