



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Shawn Cox, Deputy City Administrator

Council Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 07, 2026

Agenda Item Wording: **Discussion and possible action on a proposed Texas Disposal Systems Rate Adjustment.** *Sponsor:*

Agenda Item Requestor: Shawn Cox, Deputy City Administrator

Summary/Background:

At the June 17, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Council approved a Solid Waste Services Agreement with Texas Disposal Services (TDS). In accordance with this agreement, TDS has notified the City of a proposed annual rate increase. Per Section 11.02 Modification Rates, subsection (a) of the agreement,

- The rates and prices set by Attachment "A" and Attachment "C" are to remain in place through the first year of the contract period. Thereafter, rates will be increased annually based on the year-over-year percentage increase of CPI Index CUUR0000SEHG02 (the Garbage and Trash Collection in U.S. City Average, All Urban Consumers, Not Seasonally Adjusted), and the Customers shall be responsible for paying the increased amount. Contractor must give sixty (60) days' notice to the City Council of the rate increase for review and approval, which shall not be unreasonably conditioned, withheld or denied. Notice to the City must be by certified mail, return receipt requested.

The proposed rate changes for residential trash and recycling services are as follows:

Service	Current Rate	Proposed Rate	Change	%
96-Gallon Trash (Weekly)	\$14.80	\$15.54	\$0.74	5.00%
96-Gallon Recycling (Weekly)	\$6.75	\$7.09	\$0.34	5.04%
Total	\$21.55	\$22.63	\$1.08	10.04%

Commission Recommendations: N/A

Recommended Council Actions: Council approval of the TDS Proposed Rate Changes

Attachments:

- Rate Adjustment Request
- TDS Solid Waste Contract

Next Steps/Schedule:

Approved Rates will be updated on the City's website.