ORDINANCE 25-2026

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 93 OF THE HOPKINSVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO GARBAGE, GREEN WASTE AND WEEDS

SUMMARY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE

By summary, Section 93.01 of the Hopkinsville Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

§ 93.01 DEFINITIONS.

Green Waste. The definition of "Green Waste" has been added and has the same definition as "Trash" which is being deleted.

Temporary Collection. This definition has been expanded to include all waste and not just building materials.

Temporary Collection Service Permit. This definition has been amended to require a permit for each container at each location.

Trash. The term "Trash" has been eliminated and its definition included as "Green Waste."

Waste. This definition has been added to include all of the materials handled by Hopkinsville Solid Waste Enterprise.

SECTION TWO

By summary, Section 93.02 of the Hopkinsville Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

§ 93.02 GARBAGE, COMMERCIAL REFUSE, INDUSTRIAL WASTE AND GREEN WASTE COLLECTION.

The above definition amendments are incorporated into this Section. Industrial waste has been added in sections relating to commercial collection and disposal.

Section (A)(1)(a). A fee for additional residential containers will be changed from discretionary to mandatory.

Section (B)(1). Collection by private individuals and entities will be permitted only with a temporary collection service permit.

Section (B)(2)(b) and (c). Time for residential containers to be ready for collection is changed from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Section (C)(2). Other than during leaf collection service, loose material, such as grass clippings, shall be required to be bagged in compostable bags.

Section (C)(3). The exception for limbs is eliminated from the residential knuckle boom service.

Section (C)(4). The fall leaf collection dates shall be posted on the Enterprise website. Knuckle boom collection services will be suspended during leaf collection and only residential container collection service provided.

Section (D)(3). This provision has been added to provide that the transfer station will be open to the public during regular business hours for individuals and entities to unload garbage.

Section E. Section E has been amended to read as:

(E) *Rate schedule.*

(1) *Collection service utilization and payment.*

(a) Each residence, apartment building, office building, commercial establishment, industrial location or other garbage, industrial waste or commercial refuse generating site within the city's corporate limits shall be provided with garbage, industrial waste and commercial refuse collection service and charged a fee consistent with the below rate schedule.

(b) Fees established for garbage, industrial waste and commercial refuse collection are to be based primarily on volume and frequency of collection. The [~~minimum~~] fees shall be set forth in the below rate schedule. However, the Department is authorized to levy additional regular charges for special collection problems relating to weight, classification, distance, manpower requirements or other unusual and extraordinary circumstances caused by the customer.

(c) Billing for garbage collection shall be done on a monthly basis and may be included on other billings sent out by city agencies.

(2) *Rates.* Garbage [~~and trash~~] collection rates are established to be charged as follows:

(a) *[~~Minimum g~~]Garbage and [~~trash~~] green waste collection rates.*

Minimum Classification	***Monthly Rate***
Apartments	$25.00 each
[~~Economy~~]	[~~$16.44 each effective July 1, 2022 $20.71 each effective July 1, 2023 $25.00 each effective July 1, 2024~~]
Residences utilizing 96[~~5~~]-gallon container	$25.00 [~~each~~] for first container and $18.00 for each additional container.
Container Delivery Fee	$15.00 per container delivered to residential customers.

Green waste will be collected from residential properties within the city at no additional charge provided the customer is in good standing with the Enterprise.

(b) *Commercial refuse.*

[~~1. Personal cans (32 gallon to 96 gallon).~~]

~~[Number of Pickups Per Month~~	~~Number of Containers Per Customer~~				
	~~Up to 4~~	~~5~~	~~6~~	~~7~~	~~8~~
~~4~~	~~$16.21~~	~~$20.26~~	~~$24.31~~	~~$28.36~~	~~$32.41~~
~~8~~	~~$32.42~~	~~$40.52~~	~~$48.62~~	~~$56.72~~	~~$64.82~~
~~12~~	~~$48.63~~	~~$60.78~~	~~$72.93~~	~~$85.08~~	~~$97.23~~
~~16~~	~~$64.84~~	~~$81.04~~	~~$97.24~~	~~$113.44~~	~~$129.64~~
~~20~~	~~$81.05~~	~~$101.30~~	~~$121.55~~	~~$141.80~~	~~$162.05~~
~~24~~	~~$97.26~~	~~$121.56~~	~~$145.86~~	~~$170.16~~	~~$194.46~~]

1[~~2~~]. *Commercial cart (96 gallon).*

Number of Pickups Per Month	***Number of Containers Per Customer***					
	1	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**
4	$25.00 [~~23.56~~]	$50.00 [~~47.12~~]	$75.00 [~~70.68~~]	$100.00 [~~94.24~~]	$125.00 [~~117.80~~]	$150.00 [~~141.36~~]
8	$50.00 [~~47.12~~]	$100.00 [~~94.24~~]	$150.00 [~~141.36~~]	$200.00 [~~188.48~~]	$250.00 [~~235.60~~]	$300.00 [~~282.72~~]
12	$75.00 [~~70.68~~]	$150.00 [~~141.36~~]	$225.00 [~~212.04~~]	$300.00 [~~282.72~~]	$375.00 [~~353.40~~]	$450.00 [~~424.08~~]
16	$100.00 [~~84.24~~]	$200.00 [~~188.48~~]	$300.00 [~~282.72~~]	$400.00 [~~376.96~~]	$500.00 [~~471.20~~]	$600.00 [~~565.44~~]
20	$125.00 [~~117.80~~]	$250.00 [~~235.60~~]	$375.00 [~~353.40~~]	$500.00 [~~471.20~~]	$625.00 [~~589.00~~]	$750.00 [~~706.80~~]
24	$150.00 [~~141.36~~]	$300.00 [~~282.76~~]	$450.00 [~~424.08~~]	$600.00 [~~565.44~~]	$750.00 [~~706.80~~]	$900.00 [~~848.16~~]

In addition to the above, a delivery fee of $15 per container shall be applied to all containers delivered to customers.

2[~~3~~]. *Two cubic yard container.*

Number of Pickups Per Month	***Number of Containers Per Customer***					
	1	***2***	***3***	***4***	***5***	***6***
4	$43.13	$86.26	$128.77	$172.52	$215.65	$258.78
8	$86.26	$172.52	$258.78	$345.05	$431.31	$517.57
12	$128.77	$313.30	$386.31	$515.09	$643.86	$772.63
16	$172.52	$345.05	$517.47	$690.18	$862.62	$1,035.15

20	$215.65	$431.31	$646.96	$862.62	$1,078.28	$1,293.93
24	$258.78	$517.57	$776.36	$1,035.15	$1,293.93	$1,552.72

3[4]. *Four cubic yard container.*

Number of Pickups Per Month	***Number of Containers Per Customer***					
	1	***2***	***3***	***4***	***5***	***6***
4	$86.27	$172.54	$258.82	$345.09	$431.36	$517.64
8	$172.54	$345.06	$517.64	$690.18	$862.73	$1,035.28
12	$258.49	$516.98	$775.48	$1,033.97	$1,292.46	$1,550.96
16	$345.09	$390.18	$1,035.28	$1,380.37	$1,725.47	$2,070.56
20	$431.36	$862.73	$1,294.10	$1,725.47	$2,156.83	$2,588.20
24	$517.64	$1,035.28	$1,552.92	$2,070.56	$2,588.20	$3,105.84

4[5]. *Six cubic yard container.*

Number of Pickups Per Month	***Number of Containers Per Customer***					
	1	***2***	***3***	***4***	***5***	***6***
4	$129.40	$258.80	$388.21	$517.61	$647.02	$776.42
8	$258.80	$517.61	$776.42	$1,035.23	$1,294.04	$1,552.85
12	$388.21	$776.42	$1,164.64	$1,552.85	$1,941.07	$2,329.28
16	$517.61	$1,035.23	$1,552.85	$2,070.47	$2,588.09	$3,105.71
20	$647.02	$1,294.04	$1,941.07	$2,588.09	$3,235.12	$3,882.14
24	$796.42	$1,552.80	$2,329.28	$3,105.71	$3,882.14	$4,658.57

5[6]. *Eight cubic yard container.*

Number of Pickups Per Month	***Number of Containers Per Customer***		
	1	***2***	***3***
4	$172.54	$345.09	$517.64
8	$345.09	$690.18	$975.00
12	$517.64	$1,035.28	$1,500.00
16	$690.18	$1,350.00	$2,070.56
20	$862.73	$1,725.47	$2,588.20

6[7]. *Knuckle boom collection rates.*

Truck Load	***Rates***
1/4 truck load/minimum fee	$75.00

Half truck load	$150.00
3/4 truck load	$225.00
Full truck load	$275.00
Commercial/Business *Any ACTIVE commercial account with large items exceeding container space* may be charged the following knuckle boom service fee.	
Knuckle boom fee	$75.00

(c) *Roll off containers and compactors.*

1. [~~Transport fee.~~] All roll off containers and open top containers will be charged $[~~165~~] 195 per haul, plus the facility [~~landfill~~] fee and tonnage charges. Each roll off and open top container will be charged $[~~1~~] 3 per day, rental fee. All compactors will be charged $215 per haul, plus the facility fee and tonnage charges.

(d) [~~2.~~] Waste disposal fees.

1. For all waste disposed of in the landfill, [~~A~~] a flat rate of $[~~40~~] 60 per ton with a $[~~3~~] 5 minimum charge, plus the facility fee [~~at the landfill~~].

[~~3. Green waste disposal fee:~~]

[~~a. Green waste will be collected from residential properties within the city at no additional charge provided the customer is in good standing with the Enterprise.~~]

2. [~~b.~~] [~~All other customers are subject to the following fees: A~~] For all waste disposed of at the transfer station, a flat rate of $[~~45~~] 65 per ton plus a $[~~3~~] 5 minimum charge [for transfer station fees].

3[~~4~~]. Appliance disposal fee:

a. Appliances, such as, but not limited to, washers, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, stoves, heating and air conditioning units, hot water heaters and water coolers will be collected from residential properties within the city subject to a $15 fee. To be collected, appliances must be placed on the curb of the property in the same location as [~~trash~~] green waste and/or garbage containers; and

b. Appliances will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject to a $15 fee.

4. Mattresses and box springs disposal fees:

a. Mattresses will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject to a $15 fee, plus tonnage charges.

b. Box springs will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject only to tonnage charges.

5. Tire disposal fee.

a. Whole tires less than 24” rim diameter will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject to a $35 fee, plus tonnage charges.

b. Whole tires which are 24” rim diameter or greater do not require modification and will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject to tonnage charges.

c. Tires less than 24” rim diameter which are quartered or have side walls removed will be received during normal operating hours at the landfill subject to tonnage charges.

6. The facility fees for using the disposal facility and transfer station shall be $25 per load. The facility fee will not be charged for residential waste transported by the owner to the landfill facility or transfer station. Except for residential curbside collection customers, the Enterprise shall collect any amounts required by state or federal regulations for all waste received by the landfill facility or transfer station, in addition to any applicable fees.

[~~5. Move-out/cleanup and container delivery fees:~~

~~a. The Enterprise establishes a special move-out/cleanup fee of the cost of one ton average weight. This service is only available to vacant residential properties without garbage service; and~~

~~b. The Enterprise establishes a container delivery fee of $5 per container to deliver containers to residential customers.~~

~~6. For all waste disposal fees as herein above described in division (E)(2)(c)2 and all green waste disposal fees as herein above described in division (E)(2)(c)3, a volume discount fee per customer is provided as follows:~~

~~Tonnage~~

~~0 through 100 tons per calendar month = $40 per ton~~

~~101 through 200 tons per month = $34 per ton~~

~~201 through 300 tons per month = $29 per ton~~

~~301 tons and all over per month = $25 per ton~~

~~Monthly waste disposal tonnage per calendar month and green waste tonnage per calendar month may be combined by the same customer to receive the volume discount fee as set forth herein.~~

~~(3) The foregoing rates are based on average waste types, volumes, weight and pickup frequency. The Department is authorized under this section to vary from these minimum rates when and if weight, volume, type and pickup frequency or other unusual factors deviate from the average service.~~]

(3) ~~[(4)]~~ Upon approval of the Hopkinsville Solid Waste Enterprise Board, the collection and/or disposal fees, excluding environmental remediation fees, may be waived for government agencies, churches and other non-profit organizations.

SECTION THREE

Section 93.04 providing for the effective date is deleted.

SECTION FOUR

By summary, Section 93.05 of the Hopkinsville Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

§ 93.04 TEMPORARY COLLECTION SERVICE PERMITS.

Section 93.04(C)(1). The requirement to disclose ownership interests of a business entity in a temporary collection service permit application is deleted.

Section 93.04(C)(3). This requirement for the disclosure of solid waste facilities or processing facilities in a temporary collection service permit application is deleted.

Section 93.04(D). This section is amended to provide that no temporary collection service permit will be issued if the Enterprise has roll off containers for rent.

The full text of this ordinance is on file in the office of the undersigned city clerk of the City of Hopkinsville at 715 South Virginia Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

ORDINANCE 25-2026 SUMMARY
AMEND CHAPTER 93: GARBAGE, GREEN WASTE AND WEEDS

PUBLICLY READ AND PASSED FIRST TIME: _____

PUBLICLY READ AND PASSED SECOND TIME: _____

APPROVED: _____
Mayor James R. Knight Jr.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk Brittany Byrum, CMC

I, H. Douglas Willen, hereby certify I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, my office is located at 317 West Ninth Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240. I further certify the foregoing summary of Ordinance 25-2026, of the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, was prepared in accordance with the requirements of KRS 83A.060(9) and is a true and accurate summary of the contents of said ordinance.

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H. Douglas Willen