

RESOLUTION NO. 2259

A RESOLUTION ADJUSTING A SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SERVICES AND UPDATING THE FRANCHISE FEE AND BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICE FEE RECEIVED FROM SANITARY DISPOSAL.

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted the City of Hermiston Code of Ordinances and that Code permits the City Council of the City of Hermiston to adopt by resolution a schedule of fees and charges for various services, licenses and permits; and

WHEREAS, the City maintains a franchise agreement with Waste Connections of Oregon, Inc. doing business as Sanitary Disposal (“Franchisee”) for solid waste management service for commercial, industrial and residential establishments in the city, and

WHEREAS, Franchisee has requested a rate adjustment as shown in the attached updated Master Fee Schedule; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to HMC 50.51 the city shall do the billing and collecting of solid waste service fees and shall retain a percentage of the gross collections in payment of a franchise fee, and a percentage for billing and collection service, as established by City Council resolution; the balance shall be paid to Waste Connections of Oregon, Inc. doing business as Sanitary Disposal. The percentage shall be reviewed and may be changed at any time when the franchise submits a request for rate review; and

WHEREAS, the current total fee is 13.5%, the current franchise fee is 2.5% (which includes a 2% franchise fee with an additional .5% earmarked to cover the costs of the annual city-wide cleanup) and the fee for billing and collecting of solid waste services within the city is set at 11%; and

WHEREAS, the City and Franchisee have negotiated an increase with the franchise fee increasing to 3% (which includes a 2.5% franchise fee with an additional .5% earmarked to cover the costs of the annual city-wide cleanup) and the fee for billing and collecting of solid waste services within the city increasing to 12%, for a new total fee of 15%; and

WHEREAS, the updated Master Fee Schedule including the new fees is attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HERMISTON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the attached updated Master Fee Schedule including the schedule of fees and charges for Garbage and Recycling Services, is approved and adopted.
2. That this resolution shall supersede Resolution No. 2141, relating to fees and charges for Garbage and Recycling Services.
3. All fees and charges in effect as of the date of the adoption of this resolution shall

remain in effect unless otherwise modified by provisions of this resolution.

4. The franchise fee shall increase to 3% (which includes a 2.5% franchise fee with an additional .5% earmarked to cover the costs of the annual city-wide cleanup) and the fee for billing and collecting of solid waste services within the city increasing to 12%, for a new total fee of 15%; and
5. That this resolution is effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED by the Common Council this 27th day of February 2023.

SIGNED by the Mayor this 27th day of February 2023.

Dr. David Drotzmann, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lilly Alarcon-Strong, CMC, CITY RECORDER