



SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Wednesday, July 22, 2026, at 4:00 PM

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Meeting Minutes

VIRTUAL MEETING: youtube.com/watch?v=d4hrvBigwOM

MEETING BROUGHT TO ORDER: 4:00 pm

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

X	Seat 1: Wade Ramsey	X	Seat 4: Steven Cory (Chair)		Seat 7: VACANT
X	Seat 2: Mark Nelson (Vice Chair)	X	Seat 5: Randy Rabin	X	Seat 8: Divya Danesh (Youth)
X	Seat 3: William Baber		Seat 6: Bethany Guajardo		Seat 9: Amie Cuhacian
X	Rachele Klein, Republic Services Ex-Officio Member				

X = Present at Meeting

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: July 22, 2026, agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 24, 2026, meeting minutes approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Margaret Mingura from Republic Services presented the proposed FY27 solid waste rates. Republic is proposing contractual rate increases. The volumetric excise tax credit expired, and Republic could not include that reduction in the FY27 rates. In addition, Margaret commented that Republic and ACLF are working to find a solution to sending the City's trash to both the ACLF and Republic's Sawtooth Landfill. The rate for disposal at the Sawtooth Landfill is \$30 per ton and the rate at the ACLF will increase to \$34 per ton starting October 1, 2026.

Due to only the SWAC Chair receiving the FY27 rate documents, the Commissioners passed a motion to hold a special meeting on August 5th or 19th to review the FY27 Rates. Staff Peter Hall will email the rate documents to all the commission members, so they have time to review before the special meeting. The regular August meeting is still scheduled.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff Peter Hall presented the quarterly tonnage report for April, May, and June. Curbside trash and recycling tonnage was outlined along with diversion rates. HHW tons from October 2025 to June 2026 were shown with June 2026 having the greatest collected tons. June has more Mondays in the month, and this can increase the number of tons.

STAKEHOLDER UPDATES:

Rachele Klein from Republic Services commented that the MRF in Boise has gone through more upgrades.

Timbercreek Recycling did not have any updates.

ADJOURNMENT: 4:50 pm