



May 2, 2024

John Walsh – City Manager
City of St. Helens
265 Strand Street
St. Helens, Oregon 97051

RE: Request for Solid Waste and Recycling Rate Adjustment

Dear Mr. Walsh,

Hudson Garbage Service would like to propose an adjustment to our solid waste and recycling collection rates. We continue to experience upward cost pressures in our business as we have the past several years. Fuel costs continue to remain unstable and have increased from prior year. We have also continued to evaluate and raise our employee wages to remain competitive in our driver and mechanic ranks specifically. Skilled and professional drivers and mechanics remain challenging to recruit and retain, causing increased labor costs to our company.

Columbia County is increasing the disposal fee at the transfer station 3.6% effective July 1st, 2024, also impacting the cost of our operation. As you know, the disposal component is a large percentage of our rates we charge customers. Supply chain challenges remain impactful to our business specifically the cost for parts and materials for our equipment. New truck deliveries from manufacturers are still delayed anywhere from 12-18 months, causing us to run older equipment longer than anticipated at a higher cost.

These are a few examples of some of our larger cost impacts. Given these pressures, we are requesting an increase of 4.3% on all service rates, effective July 1, 2024. CPI-U is a reasonable and objective measure of our cost increases that is commonly used in industry for evaluating our cost of doing business. At year-end 2023, the CPI-U index was 4.3%.

We look forward to meeting with the Council to answer any questions. We also want to thank you and the City of St. Helens for the continued relationship we have. We are proud to be your community partner!

Regards,

Josh Brown

Josh Brown
District Manager

**HUDSON GARBAGE SERVICE
RATES EFFECTIVE July 1, 2024
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RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

	RATE FREQUENCY	CURRENT RATE	NEW RATE
WEEKLY			
(1) 35 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 33.13	\$ 34.60
Each Additional 35 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 19.57	\$ 20.40
(1) 65 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 50.97	\$ 53.20
Each Additional 65 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 44.85	\$ 46.80
(1) 95 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 68.78	\$ 71.70
Each Additional 95 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 60.52	\$ 63.10
EOW			
(1) 35 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 23.92	\$ 24.90
Each Additional 35 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 14.57	\$ 15.20
(1) 65 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 36.75	\$ 38.30
Each Additional 65 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 32.34	\$ 33.70
(1) 95 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 49.30	\$ 51.40
Each Additional 95 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 43.38	\$ 45.20
MONTHLY			
(1) 35 Gallon Cart OAM	PER MONTH	\$ 7.24	\$ 7.60
(1) 35 Gallon Cart OAM - With Recycle	PER MONTH	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.80
ON-CALL			
(1) 35 Gallon Cart On Call	PER PICKUP	\$ 6.63	\$ 6.90
Each Additional 35 Gallon On Call After First	PER PICKUP	\$ 5.84	\$ 6.10
RECYCLE - GREENWASTE			
(1) 65 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Only Recycle or On Call Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 10.63	\$ 11.10
(1) 65 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Additional or OAM Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 9.35	\$ 9.80
(1) 95 Gallon Greenwaste EOW	PER MONTH	\$ 10.63	\$ 11.10
(1) 95 Gallon Greenwaste EOW - With Garbage Service	PER MONTH	\$ 4.92	\$ 5.10

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COMMERCIAL

	RATE FREQUENCY	CURRENT RATE	NEW RATE
Temp 2 Yard Container (First 7 Days)	PER PICKUP	\$ 82.73	\$ 86.30
Comm Daily Rental Fee (After 7 Days)	PER DAY	\$ 2.67	\$ 2.80
Comm Container Overfill/Overweight	PER YARD	\$ 19.93	\$ 20.80
Comm Container Extra Yardage Fee	PER YARD	\$ 19.93	\$ 20.80
Comm Time Fee (Labor for Clean Up - Per Min)	PER MIN	\$ 1.33	\$ 1.40
Return Trip Charge - Business	PER PICKUP	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.90
Walk-In - Business	PER PICKUP	\$ 5.20	\$ 5.40

BULKY

TIRE under 16" no/rim	PER PICKUP	\$ 6.88	\$ 7.20
TIRE under 16" w/rim	PER PICKUP	\$ 16.05	\$ 16.70
HOT WATER HEATER	PER PICKUP	\$ 36.01	\$ 37.60
SM MATTRESS	PER PICKUP	\$ 11.92	\$ 12.40
M/LG MATTRESS	PER PICKUP	\$ 17.77	\$ 18.50
SM FURNITURE	PER PICKUP	\$ 17.02	\$ 17.80
M/LG FURNITURE	PER PICKUP	\$ 35.52	\$ 37.00
SM APPLIANCE*	PER PICKUP	\$ 17.53	\$ 18.30
M/LG APPLIANCE*	PER PICKUP	\$ 36.01	\$ 37.60

*(No refrigerators, freezers, Freon or compressors)

WEEKLY

(1) 35 Gallon Cart Weekly Business	PER MONTH	\$ 22.68	\$ 23.70
Each Additional 35 Gallon Cart Weekly Business	PER MONTH	\$ 21.96	\$ 22.90
(1) 65 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 38.32	\$ 40.00
Each Additional 65 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 33.72	\$ 35.20
(1) 95 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 53.78	\$ 56.10
Each Additional 95 Gallon Cart Weekly	PER MONTH	\$ 47.33	\$ 49.40

EOW

(1) 35 Gallon Cart Every Other Week Business	PER MONTH	\$ 13.58	\$ 14.20
Each Additional 35 Gallon Cart Every Other Week Business	PER MONTH	\$ 13.44	\$ 14.00
(1) 65 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 25.28	\$ 26.40
Each Additional 65 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 22.25	\$ 23.20
(1) 95 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 49.30	\$ 51.40
Each Additional 95 Gallon Cart Every Other Week	PER MONTH	\$ 43.38	\$ 45.20

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OTHER COMMERCIAL			
(1) 35 Gallon On Call Business	PER MONTH	\$ 6.63	\$ 6.90
(1) 35 Gallon 1x Monthly Business	PER PICKUP	\$ 7.24	\$ 7.60
Comm Overfill/Overweight Can/Cart Business	PER PICKUP	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.10
(1) 65 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Only Recycle or On Call Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 10.63	\$ 11.10
(1) 65 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Additional or OAM Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.30
(1) 95 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Only Recycle or On Call Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 10.63	\$ 11.10
(1) 95 Gallon Recycle Weekly - Additional or OAM Garbage	PER MONTH	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.30
(1) 95 Gallon Yard Waste EOW	PER MONTH	\$ 4.92	\$ 5.10
CONTAINER SERVICE			
1 Yard Container On Call - Additional Pick Up	PER PICKUP	\$ 34.37	\$ 35.80
1 Yard Every Other Week Service	PER MONTH	\$ 70.89	\$ 73.90
1 Yard Container Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 114.51	\$ 119.40
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 105.69	\$ 110.20
1 Yard Container 2 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 212.94	\$ 222.10
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 196.08	\$ 204.50
1 Yard Container 3 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 315.67	\$ 329.20
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 276.39	\$ 288.30
1 Yard Container 4 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 406.69	\$ 424.20
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 349.21	\$ 364.20
1 Yard Container 5 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 510.39	\$ 532.30
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 441.15	\$ 460.10
1.5 Yard Container On Call - Additional Pick Up	PER PICKUP	\$ 45.16	\$ 47.10
1.5 Yard Every Other Week Service	PER MONTH	\$ 101.28	\$ 105.60
1.5 Yard Container Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 161.73	\$ 168.70
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 150.06	\$ 156.50
1.5 Yard Container 2 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 307.86	\$ 321.10
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 287.09	\$ 299.40
1.5 Yard Container 3 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 453.97	\$ 473.50
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 419.71	\$ 437.80
1.5 Yard Container 4 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 577.34	\$ 602.20
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 533.17	\$ 556.10
1.5 Yard Container 5 x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 730.64	\$ 762.10
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 661.83	\$ 690.30

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2 Yard Container On Call - Additional Pick Up	PER PICKUP	\$ 54.23	\$ 56.60
2 Yard Every Other Week Service	PER MONTH	\$ 111.46	\$ 116.30
2 Yard Container Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 214.34	\$ 223.60
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 198.73	\$ 207.30
2 Yard Container 2x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 405.25	\$ 422.70
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 375.06	\$ 391.20
2 Yard Container 3x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 607.94	\$ 634.10
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 530.96	\$ 553.80
2 Yard Container 4x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 771.29	\$ 804.50
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 672.16	\$ 701.10
2 Yard Container 5x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 962.59	\$ 1,004.00
*Each additional	PER MONTH	\$ 826.91	\$ 862.50
3 Yard Container On Call - Additional Pick Up	PER PICKUP	\$ 69.36	\$ 72.30
3 Yard Container 1x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 280.77	\$ 292.80
3 Yard Container 2x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 524.50	\$ 547.10
3 Yard Container 3x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 768.27	\$ 801.30
3 Yard Container 4x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 1,012.02	\$ 1,055.50
3 Yard Container 5x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 1,255.66	\$ 1,309.70
4 Yard Every Other Week Service	PER MONTH	\$ 212.44	\$ 221.60
4 Yard Container 1x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 343.68	\$ 358.50
4 Yard Container 2x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 668.69	\$ 697.40
4 Yard Container 3x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 993.65	\$ 1,036.40
4 Yard Container 4x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 1,318.66	\$ 1,375.40
4 Yard Container 5x Weekly Service	PER MONTH	\$ 1,643.67	\$ 1,714.30

OTHER RATES

Res Extra Can/Cart, Bag or Box (32-35 Gallons)	PER PICKUP	\$ 5.09	\$ 5.30
Res Every Other Week Off Week	PER PICKUP	\$ 6.57	\$ 6.90
Res Extra Bag (12 Gallon Kitchen Bag)	PER PICKUP	\$ 3.64	\$ 3.80
Res Overfill/Overweight Cart or Can	PER PICKUP	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.10
Res Oversize Can	PER PICKUP	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.10
Res Special Trip Off Day	PER PICKUP	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.90
Res Walk In Fee	PER MONTH	\$ 4.79	\$ 5.00
Res Drive In Fee	PER MONTH	\$ 4.79	\$ 5.00
Drive-In Additional 100Ft Increments	PER MONTH	\$ 2.67	\$ 2.80
Res Restart Fee - Includes Cart Re-delivery	ONE TIME	\$ 25.00	\$ 26.10
Returned Check Fee	ONE TIME	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Res Time Fee (Labor for Clean Up - Per Min)	PER MIN	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.40
Lockbar Installment Fee	ONE TIME		\$ 40.00
Lock Replacement Fee	PER LOCK		\$ 20.00