



City of Tualatin

CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM: Lindsay Marshall, Management Analyst II
DATE: November 14, 2022

SUBJECT:

Republic Services Request to Consider a Rate Adjustment and Two Additional Solid Waste and Recycling Programs.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Republic Services, the City's solid waste and recycling provider, will provide information about three items:

- 1) **Rate Increase** – Republic is requesting a rate adjustment due to increased Metro fees regarding wet waste tonnage allocation. The Metro fee increase went into effect over the summer, but Republic has absorbed the cost throughout the remainder of 2022. Rate increase changes would be effective January 1, 2023 for Tualatin customers. The percentage increase will be discussed at the meeting and potential rates are included in the attached rate sheet.
- 2) **Residential Organics** – This program, also known as curbside composting, would allow Tualatin customers to begin regularly adding food waste to their yard debris bins. Republic has the ability to offer this service to all single-family residential customers (up to four-plex housing) across the City. The cost is applied to all customers who are eligible for this service. Fees are outlined in the attached informational sheet.
- 3) **Recycle + Program** – This program would provide an opportunity for Tualatin customers to recycle materials not included in standard recycling. Republic has the ability to offer this service to all single-family residential customers across the City. This service is optional and the cost is only applied to customers who opt-in. Fees are outlined in the attached informational sheet.

Staff and Republic Services look for Council guidance on returning on November 28, 2022 with resolutions for any or all of these individual items.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Presentation Republic Services for Rate, Organics, Recycle +
- Rate Information Sheet
- Program Review and Follow Up Questions from September 26, 2022 Work Session