



Public Works Agenda Item

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2026
Agenda Item:	Johns Disposal Rate Increase
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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

Staff received a request from Johns Disposal asking for a 3.8 % increase (\$0.62) per unit, monthly increase as outlined below. According to the contract, Johns may request an annual adjustment up to the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI is 3.8%.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027 (3.8%)</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Garbage	\$9.75	\$10.12	\$0.37
Recycle	\$4.50	\$4.67	\$0.17
Bulk	<u>\$2.17</u>	<u>\$2.25</u>	<u>\$0.08</u>
	\$15.95	\$16.42	\$0.62

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

In September of 2019, Johns Disposal was approved for a recycling rate increase from \$2.59 to \$3.59 for 2020. In October 2020, Johns Disposal was approved for a recycling rate increase from \$3.59 to \$3.84 for 2021. In September 2021, Johns Disposal was approved for rate increases for garbage from \$8.29 to \$8.70, recycling from \$3.84 to \$3.85, and bulk from \$1.66 to \$1.85 for 2022. In October 2022, Johns Disposal was approved for rate increases for garbage from \$8.70 to \$9.00, recycling from \$3.85 to \$4.15, and bulk from \$1.85 to \$2.00 for calendar year 2023. In September 2023, Johns Disposal was approved for rate increases for garbage from \$9.00 to \$9.25, recycling from \$4.15 to \$4.27, and bulk from \$2.00 to \$2.06 for calendar year 2024. In September 2024, approval was granted for rate increases in garbage from \$9.25 to \$9.47, recycling from \$4.27 to \$4.37 and bulk from \$2.06 to \$2.11. In September 2025, approval was granted for rate increases in garbage from \$9.47 to \$9.75, recycling from \$4.37 to \$4.50 and bulk from \$2.11 to \$2.17.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

City Staff estimated a \$0.53 increase for 2027 in the 2026-2027 budget. With an estimated 2800 toters for 2027, the \$0.62 rate increase is an additional \$3,024 for the 2027 budget. The total increase over the 2026 budget is \$20,832.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Since the requested increase is in line with the CPI, staff's recommendation is for the Committee to recommend approval of the rate increase for 2027 to the full Council.

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. 2027 Johns Rate Increase Request