



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING SHEET

Meeting Date: April 28, 2026	Department: Public Works	Presented By: Michelle Guelker
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AGENDA ITEM

Discussion/Action:

To discuss and approve an amended utility fee ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2025-26.

BACKGROUND:

The city is a member of a regional solid waste collaborative consisting of five neighboring municipalities. Through this collaborative, the cities jointly contract with Republic Services to provide residential trash and recycling collection.

Currently, Republic Services operates two three-person trucks each Tuesday to collect both trash and recycling, along with one three-person truck on Fridays dedicated solely to trash collection. Beginning in May, Republic Services will transition to an automated collection system using claw-equipped trucks. With this change, all trash and recycling must be placed in Republic-provided carts for collection.

As a result of this service change, Republic Services has implemented a revised rate structure. Under the current rate, residents pay \$17.63 per month for trash and recycling services, for a total of \$19.08 per month including sales tax.

Under the new rate, the monthly charge will be \$25.12, which includes \$23.21 for service and \$1.91 in sales tax. This fee includes one trash cart and one recycling cart. Additional carts will be available for rent at a rate of \$3.15 per cart, per month.

STAFF/BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the ordinance as presented.

EXHIBITS:

Proposed Ordinance