



Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Solid Waste Rate Increases

**City Council Chambers
1017 Middlefield Road
Redwood City, California
Monday, January 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

On Monday, January 28, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at City Council Chambers, 1017 Middlefield Road, Redwood City, California, the City Council of the City of Redwood City will hold a public hearing to consider a 9.4% increase for regular solid waste collection rates and a 2.07% CPI increase for unscheduled solid waste services rates in the City. If approved, these increases will be effective on February 1, 2019. The purpose of this notice is to describe the proposed rate increases and to notify you of the public hearing.

THE PROPOSAL

The City Council will consider the following proposed solid waste rate increases at the City Council meeting on January 28, 2019:

- A 9.4% increase for regular, scheduled, basic collection of residential and commercial solid waste and recyclable materials, and
- A 2.07% CPI increase for unscheduled solid waste services as listed on this Notice.

The City's proposed solid waste rates are calculated to recover the costs of providing solid waste services, which are provided by Recology San Mateo County under contract with the City. The proposed rate increases are designed to ensure that the revenue collected from the solid waste rates is sufficient to cover the full costs of providing solid waste services.

REGULAR SERVICE

A 9.4% increase is proposed for regular, scheduled, basic collection of residential and commercial solid waste and recyclable materials. The proposed 9.4% increase is needed to fund increased collection costs, including, but not limited to disposal and processing fees, labor costs, fuel and power costs, and other associated operating and maintenance costs. Prior to 2018, Redwood City had not increased regular solid waste collection rates since 2013. Even with the proposed increase, Redwood City rates will remain less than the average for the area. For a residential customer with a 32-gallon cart, the increase amounts to less than three dollars a month.

Current & Proposed Regular Solid Waste Rates**Residential Monthly Rates**

Capacity	Current Rate (Per Cart)	Proposed Rate (Per Cart) Effective on 2/1/2019
20 gallons	\$11.76	\$12.87
32 gallons	\$28.21	\$30.86
64 gallons	\$56.43	\$61.73
96 gallons	\$83.77	\$91.64

*Residential customers are billed every other month.
Residential rates shown above reflect monthly charges.*

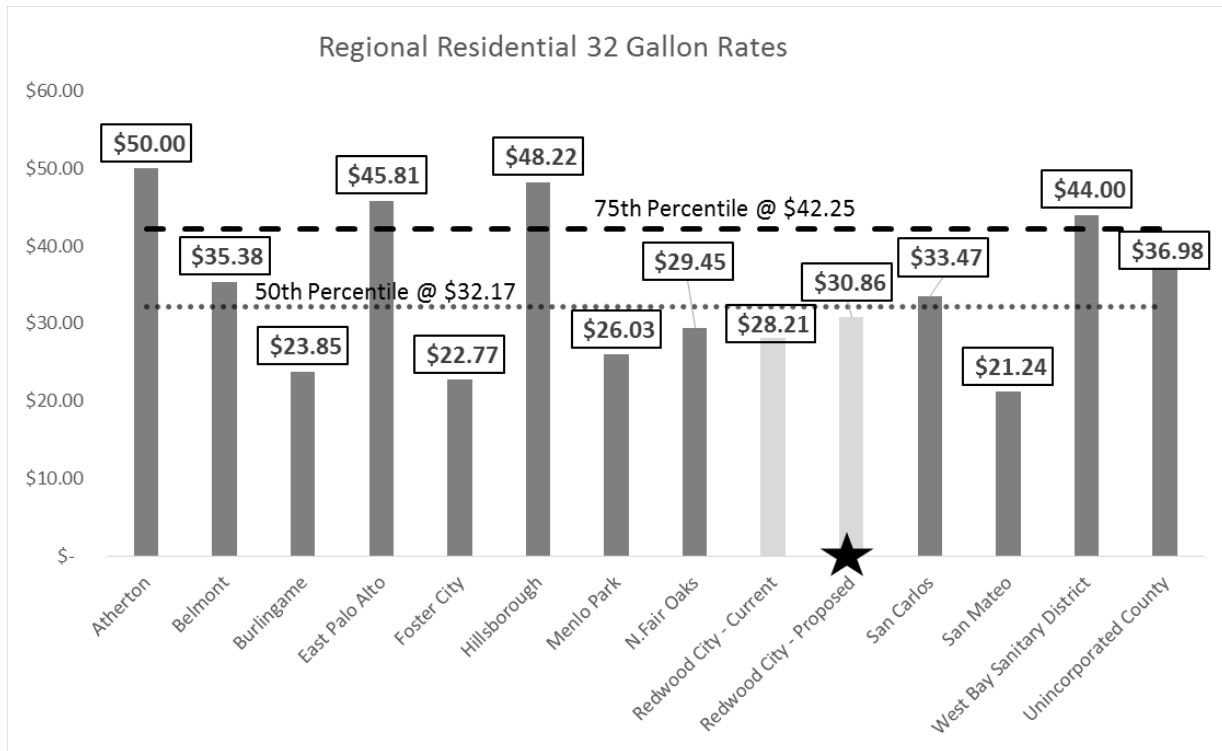
Commercial Monthly Rates

Subscription Level (Yards Per Week)	Current Rate (Per Yard)	Proposed Rate (Per Yard) Effective on 2/1/2019
1 - 10	\$131.89	\$144.29
11 - 20	\$135.84	\$148.61
21 - 30	\$139.92	\$153.07
31 - 50	\$144.13	\$157.68
51+	\$148.44	\$162.39

Rates for Commercial Compactors**Proposed Rate Effective on 2/1/2019**

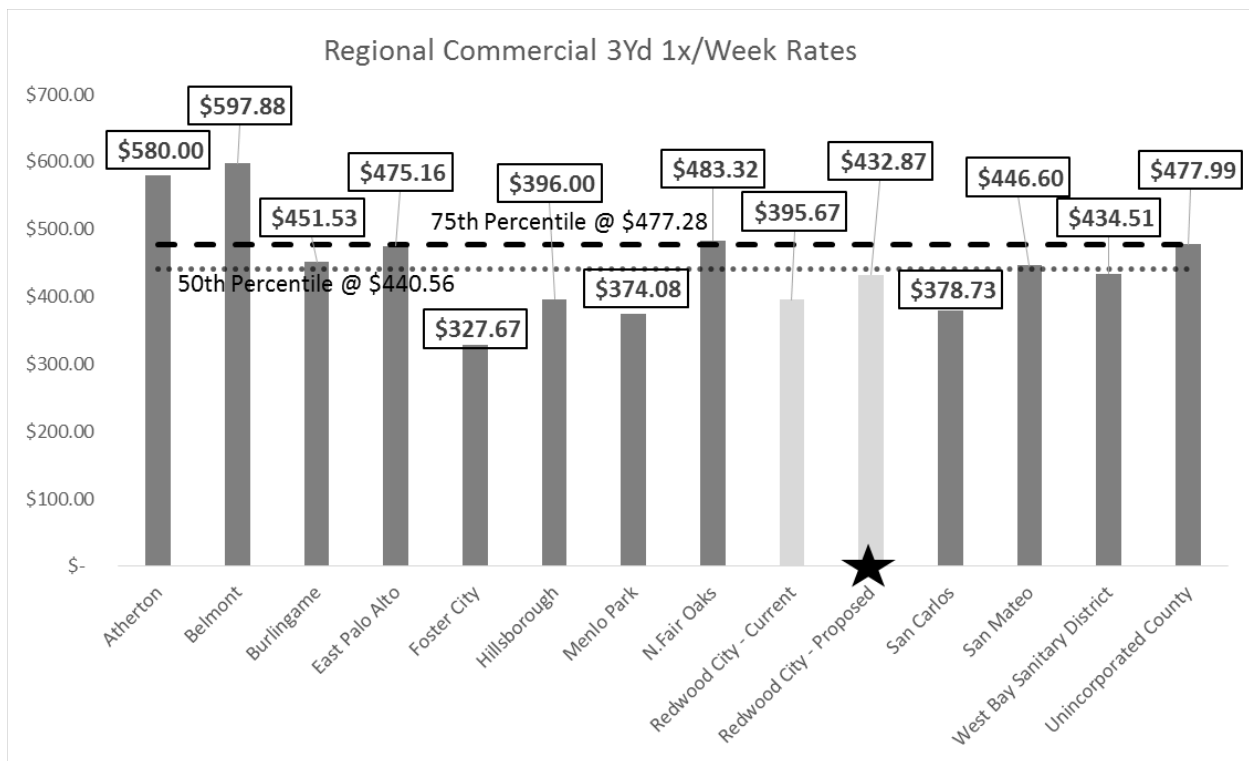
Compactor Rate Per Yard Per Pick-up (includes recycling charge)	\$65.30
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Figure 1: Comparison of 2018 Residential Solid Waste Rates, based on 32-Gal Cart



*East Palo Alto requires minimum 96-gallon residential service

Figure 2: Comparison of 2018 Commercial Solid Waste Rates, based on 3yd subscription level



UNSCHEDULED SERVICES

Unscheduled Services include miscellaneous services that are above and beyond routine garbage collection, such as backyard collection, key service, or additional carts. The proposed 2.07% increase in the rates for unscheduled solid waste services is based on the one year change in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index, U.S. city average for all urban consumers. The City's proposed unscheduled services rates are calculated to recover the costs of providing unscheduled solid waste services, which are provided by Recology San Mateo County under contract with the City.

RESIDENTIAL (PROPOSED FOR UNSCHEDULED SERVICES RATES)

The services offered and the recommended rates are listed below.

- Return Trip Cost \$17.14 (per collection event) for collection service provided after the regularly scheduled collection day.
- Additional Targeted Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Cart Rental or Purchase – Rental \$3.43 per month, Purchase 64 gallon cart \$71.97, Purchase 96 gallon cart \$78.83.
- Fee to Collect Contaminated Targeted Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Container – 25% of the base monthly rate for the size of the container collected once per week plus \$17.14 (per collection event).
- Key Service - \$9.71 per collection event, Lock Purchase \$19.42 (one time per account).
- Overage Fee – 100% of the base monthly rate per collection event
- Overage Bag Cost - 50% of the base monthly rate or a minimum of \$9.13 (whichever is greater) – per bag.
- Container Cleaning - \$57.13 per cart, \$97.11 per Bin or Drop Box.
- Dirty Cart Replacement - \$74.25 per 32 gallon cart, \$85.68 per 64 gallon cart, \$97.11 per 96 gallon cart.
- On-Call Bulky Item Collection - \$93.17 for each collection after the first two per year.

Backyard Collection Service Distance Fee for Single-Family Dwellings Proposed Rate Effective on 2/1/2019				
Distance from Curbside	One (1) Solid Waste Cart	Two (2) Solid Waste Carts	Three (3) Solid Waste Carts	Four (4) Solid Waste Carts
	Base monthly Solid Waste Rate plus	Base monthly Solid Waste Rate plus	Base monthly Solid Waste Rate plus	Base monthly Solid Waste Rate plus
0 – 50 feet	\$20.56	\$32.81	\$65.62	\$98.43
51-100 feet	\$23.99	\$36.24	\$69.05	\$101.86
101-150 feet	\$27.42	\$39.67	\$72.48	\$105.29
151 – 200 feet	\$30.84	\$43.09	\$75.91	\$108.72
201 – 250 feet	\$34.27	\$46.52	\$79.33	\$112.14
251 – 300 feet	\$37.70	\$49.95	\$82.76	\$115.56
301 feet or more	\$41.13	\$53.37	\$86.19	\$119.00

COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (PROPOSED UNSCHEDULED SERVICES RATES)

The services offered and the recommended rates are listed below.

- Distance Charges for containers located 50 to 100 feet or less from access point for contractor's collection vehicle – 10% of the monthly base rate.
- Distance Charges for containers located 101 feet or more from access point for contractor's collection vehicle – 25% of the monthly base rate.
- Extra Pick-up fee – 25% of the base monthly rate for the size of container collected once per week – per collection event.
- Additional Targeted Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Cart Rental or Purchase – Rental \$3.43 per month, Purchase 64 gallon cart \$71.97, Purchase 96 gallon cart \$78.83.
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PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDED RATES

At the January 28, 2019 public hearing, the City Council will consider oral and written testimony, as well as written protests by property owners and customers of record against the proposed solid waste service rate increases. Following the hearing, the City Council may adopt a resolution that adopts the proposed rates. If, prior to the close of the public input portion of the public hearing, written protests are presented by a majority of customers of record or owners of a majority of parcels that receive solid waste services, the City Council will not increase the rates from their existing level.

If you would like additional information on the proposed rates, please visit Public Works at 1400 Broadway or call 650-780-7464. Any person interested, including all solid waste and recycling collection customers of the City of Redwood City may appear at the public hearing and be heard on any matter related to the proposed increase in rates.

If you wish to file a written protest, please submit or mail a letter in a sealed envelope addressed to Solid Waste Rates, City Clerk, City of Redwood City, 1017 Middlefield Road, Redwood City, CA 94063. Your written protest must include: (i) A statement that it is a protest against the proposed change in rates which is the subject of the hearing. (ii) Name of the record owner or customer of record; (iii) Identity of the affected parcel by assessor's parcel number or service address; and (iv) Original signature of the record owner or customer of record with respect to the identified parcel. Protests will not be counted if any of the required elements (i through iv) are omitted. The City Clerk must receive your protest at City Hall by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019. Protests can also be submitted at the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. Monday, January 28, 2019 until the close of the public input portion of the public hearing on the matter.



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