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ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
RELATING TO
COUNTY SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
AND ESTABLISHING FEES

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, ordains as follows:

SECTION 1:

This ordinance amends and replaces Ordinance No. 779.6 and any prior version of Ordinance No. 779 in their entirety with the following:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

The words used in this ordinance shall have the definitions provided in Public Resources Code 40100 et. Seq.

Section 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF SITES.

Subject to control of the Board of Supervisors, the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department may designate and operate or control by contract County owned or leased or contracted sites to be used for the public transfer, processing or disposal of solid waste.

Section 3. REFUSE FROM OUTSIDE OF COUNTY.

Unless so authorized in writing by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department or his designated representative, under general policies adopted by the Board, no person shall place, deposit, or dump, or cause to be placed, deposited, or dumped, in or upon any County owned, leased, or contracted transfer station or disposal site, any solid waste originating outside of the County of Riverside, provided however, the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department has discretion to accept incidental amounts of refuse from outside of Riverside County and near County borders for disposal

1 at County landfills when payment is made according to Appendix A for such incidental
2 refuse.

3 **Section 4. REGULATIONS.** All County owned, leased, or contracted transfer
4 stations and disposal sites shall be under the supervision of the General Manager-Chief
5 Engineer of the Waste Management Department who shall have the power and the duty to
6 prescribe reasonable regulations regulating the use by the public and the operation of such
7 sites. Such rules shall include, but need not be limited to, the following subjects:

- 8 a. Days and hours of use.
- 9 b. Charges for use of sites at times other than regular hours, which shall be
10 sufficient to reimburse the County for equipment, personnel and overhead
11 costs.
- 12 c. Maximum size of articles and objects being dumped.
- 13 d. Allocation of various types of waste to specific sites and the placement of
14 waste within any site.
- 15 e. Prohibition or conditional acceptance of harmful or dangerous materials, if
16 allowed under the state operating permit, including a reasonable charge for
17 their acceptance.
- 18 f. Prohibition of unauthorized persons from access to areas within a site,
19 including the unauthorized conducting of salvage operations.

20 Except for short term emergency situations, any regulation fixing days or hours of
21 operation shall be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval before taking effect. All
22 regulations prescribed by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management
23 Department shall be filed in his or her office and shall be available for public inspection.

24 **Section 5. HAZARDOUS WASTE LOAD CHECKING PROGRAM.** All
25 Operators of landfills and transfer stations in the County, including the County itself, shall
26 implement and maintain a hazardous waste load checking program at each of their solid waste
27 facilities as required by California law (pursuant to Titles 14 and 27, California Code of

1 Regulations); and which program shall also meet the following minimum requirements:

- 2 a. Each solid waste facility operator shall perform random loadchecks across
3 load types of residential, commercial, and industrial to detect hazardous waste
4 before such incoming waste is transferred to, and/or disposed at, the landfill.
5 Such program shall have the objectives of: (1) preventing hazardous waste
6 from being placed in a landfill not permitted to receive such waste and (2)
7 educating and discouraging customers from bringing in such material. The
8 minimum number of loadchecks performed at each solid waste facility shall
9 comply with the following schedule:

10 **Landfill and Transfer Station Facility Random Loadcheck Schedule – Per Average Daily Tonnage**

11 <u>Average Daily Tonnage</u>	12 <u>Random Samples per Day*</u>
13 0 to 50 tons/day	14 **
15 51 to 200 tons/day	16 2
17 201 to 400 tons/day	18 4
19 401 to 600 tons/day	20 6
21 601 to 800 tons/day	22 8
23 801 to 1000+ tons/day	24 10

25 *The initial schedule is for the number of “random samples per day” to be applied to
26 three days a week. The three days shall be rotated so arriving customers will not know
27 when they may be loadchecked. If a problem still persists with large quantities of
28 hazardous waste showing up at the landfill or transfer station, the Enforcement
29 Agency or the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management
30 Department may require the number of “random samples per day” to be applied every
31 day the solid waste facility is open until the problem is deemed corrected.

32 **As defined in the State Permit.

- 33 b. An inspection form (which shall be certified for completeness and accuracy by the
34 loadcheck inspector on duty) shall be filled out in its entirety at the time of each
35 loadcheck performed at the solid waste facility. The inspection form shall include
36 the following information:

37 **-date and time of inspection**

- 1 **-loadcheck inspector name, (certification)**
- 2 **-load type** (residential, commercial, industrial)
- 3 **-hauler/company name/customer name**
- 4 **-driver name**
- 5 **-vehicle make/model**
- 6 **-license plate number**
- 7 **-load origin** (jurisdiction, and customer/store where picked up)
- 8 **-hazardous waste found** (type/name, class, container size/quantity,
- 9 volume/weight, unit of gallons or pounds) if any
- 10 **-disposition of material** (picked up by responsible party, returned with carrier
- 11 at time of inspection, load was free of hazardous waste, solid waste facility
- 12 assumed responsibility of the material, etc.).

13 Each inspection form shall be reviewed by management and initialed verifying
14 completeness.

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- 16 c. The General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department or
- 17 his designated representative and/or a representative of the Enforcement Agency
- 18 shall have the right to enter the solid waste facilities at any time and observe the
- 19 operator performing loadchecks. The General Manager-Chief Engineer of the
- 20 Waste Management Department or his designated representative and/or a
- 21 representative of the Enforcement Agency may perform loadchecks in order to
- 22 audit the solid waste facility loadchecking program and/or assist the operator in
- 23 making its loadchecking program successful.

24 **Section 6. SALVAGE OPERATIONS.** Subject to the approval of the Board of
25 Supervisors, salvage operations of reusable waste materials at County owned, leased, or
26 contracted transfer stations and disposal sites may be conducted only by such persons as are
27 authorized to do so and upon such terms and conditions as are imposed by the General

1 Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department.

2 **Section 7. FEES.**

- 3 1. **Tipping Fees at Scaled Urban Sites:** Pursuant to the authority of
4 Government Code Section 25823, fees for the disposal of solid waste and
5 disposal of liquid waste at enumerated landfills shall be as established by the
6 Board of Supervisors following a duly noticed public hearing. The fees so
7 established shall be in an amount sufficient to cover all costs including but not
8 limited to the following: closure/postclosure (including past unfunded costs),
9 remediation, environmental mitigation, state mandated and other pass-through
10 fees, and general operations. Such fees and the landfills to which they shall
11 apply appear as Appendix A to this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors may
12 establish different rates through contractual agreements when the terms of said
13 agreements help stabilize revenues and system rates over a long term period.
- 14 2. **Fees for Disposal at Rural Sites:** Pursuant to the authority of Government
15 Code Section 25823, fees for the disposal of solid waste at landfills and
16 transfer stations, formerly in a land use assessment area, shall be as established
17 by the Board of Supervisors following a duly noticed public hearing. The fees
18 so established shall be calculated to substantially cover a fair share of the
19 estimated costs for these facilities. Cards permitting entrance into these
20 landfills and transfer stations shall be offered for sale to residents and
21 businesses (only in the local areas surrounding these sites as shown on maps in
22 Exhibit 1) at rates set by the Board of Supervisors. No access to these
23 facilities will be allowed without a card, except in cases where permitted waste
24 haulers or other large commercial users have negotiated separate contracts
25 with the County. Waste from outside these areas shall not be accepted at the
26 rural sites providing however, waste from unincorporated areas outside of, but
27 near the borders of these service areas may be accepted under the same terms

1 and conditions herein set forth, if it is determined by the General Manager-
2 Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department that this is the most
3 practical way to provide disposal service to these customers. Such rates and
4 the landfills and transfer stations to which they apply shall appear in
5 Appendices B and C to this Ordinance.

- 6 3. **Miscellaneous Fees.** A schedule of miscellaneous fees is attached as
7 Appendix D.

8 **Section 8. PROHIBITIONS.** No person shall violate any regulation prescribed by
9 the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Waste Management Department regulating the use
10 of a County disposal site or transfer station, or fail to obey any sign giving notice of any
11 regulation, maintained at any such site or facility by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of
12 the Waste Management Department. Violation of any such regulation shall be a violation of
13 this Ordinance.

14 **Section 9. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.** The General Manager-Chief
15 Engineer of the Waste Management Department reserves the right to deny entrance to an
16 individual for an appropriate time span when said individual is deemed to pose a safety risk
17 and/or is disruptive to the normal workflow of the County disposal site or transfer station
18 operations. A letter of notification specifying the dates of restriction and the locations will be
19 mailed to the individual and on hand at the gate fee booth.

20 It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision of this Ordinance. Any
21 person violating any provision of this Ordinance may be deemed guilty of an infraction or
22 misdemeanor as hereinafter specified. Such persons shall be deemed guilty of a separate
23 offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the
24 provisions of this Ordinance is committed or continued. Any person so convicted shall be:
25 (1) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not exceeding One Hundred dollars
26 (\$100.00) for a first violation; (2) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not
27 exceeding Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a second violation. The third and any

1 additional violations shall constitute a misdemeanor offense and shall be punishable by a fine
2 not exceeding Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00).

3 Notwithstanding the above, a first offense may be charged and prosecuted as a
4 misdemeanor. Payment of any penalty herein shall not relieve a person from the responsibility
5 for correcting the violation.

6 **Section 10. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of
7 this Ordinance (including its appendices) or the application thereof to any person or
8 circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or
9 applications of the provisions of this Ordinance (and its appendices) which can be given effect
10 without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance
11 (and its appendices) are hereby declared to be severable.

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13 SECTION 2:

14 This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of adoption.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF
CALIFORNIA

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By _____
Chairman

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ATTEST:
NANCY ROMERO
Clerk of the Board

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**APPENDIX "A" TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
SCHEDULE OF WASTE DISPOSAL FEES
FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006**

The following gate fees will be applicable at El Sobrante,
Badlands, Lamb Canyon, and Blythe Landfills

WASTE GROUP DESCRIPTIONS	RATE
1. Any vehicle hauling: (a) 2 or less large trash bags, or (b) up to 2 cathode ray tube (CRT) devices (e.g. tvs or computer monitors) per day	No Charge
2. Vans, pickup trucks or any vehicle pulling a two-wheel trailer or any other vehicle: (a) hauling miscellaneous waste not exceeding .4 ton (b) hauling 50% or more wood or yard waste not exceeding .4 ton (c) hauling miscellaneous waste exceeding .4 ton	\$8.00/ load \$11.00/ load \$31.91/ton *
3. Transfer Trucks	See Note #1
4. Added to the charges listed herein will be a charge of: (a) \$1.00 per tire (up to 9 tires) being disposed of with a load of routine refuse (b) \$10.00 per uncovered load of refuse which has exposed material which in the opinion of the General Manager-Chief Engineer may litter access routes to the landfill (c) \$10.00 per ton for loads which are judged to be 50% or more wood waste/yard waste by volume (d) \$5.00 per ton for out of county incidental amounts of refuse	
5. Vehicles hauling loads of more than 9 motor vehicle and/or standard truck equipment tires and any load with 1 or more oversize tires, used on motor graders, scrapers, etc.	\$89.90/ton**
6. All other vehicles carrying wastes requiring special handling or immediate burial	\$42.55/ton**
7. All vehicles not described in any other provision of this fee schedule	\$31.91/ton*
8. Emergency towing services: (a) 10 minutes or less (b) over 10 minutes	\$20.00 \$35.00
9. For customers unloading: (a) 16 to 30 minutes past closing (b) 31 minutes or more past closing	\$10.00 \$20.00
10 Bottom ash from an approved biomass facility	\$19.50/ton

Notes:

- 1) Rate for Transfer Trucks to be determined by individual contracts.
- 2) Loads of dead sheep or small calves from the Blythe service area separated from other waste will be received at no charge at the Blythe Landfill (daily from 8am to 9am) due to health and safety risk in the vast open canal system in the area.
- 3) Certified loads of illegally dumped nonhazardous municipal solid waste retrieved along open flowing irrigation canals which are delivered by the agency responsible for maintaining the canals shall be received at no charge at the Blythe Landfill.
- 4) The General Manager-Chief Engineer is authorized to recoup costs associated with the segregation of unauthorized waste commingled with routine refuse.

* Cash customers prorated to the nearest \$.25

** Cash customers prorated to the nearest \$.25 with a minimum charge of \$20.00 per vehicle

APPENDIX B TO ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
RESIDENTIAL SELF-HAUL PERMIT CARDS
For Riverside County Waste Management Department
Effective July1, 2006

The Self-Haul Permit card shall be necessary for admittance to the following rural landfills:

Mecca II Landfill Oasis Landfill

RESIDENTIAL CARD REGULATIONS

Authority: Riverside County Ordinance No. 657 requires that, "Every tenant, occupier, operator, or owner of a residence...shall not less than once a week, cause to be removed all solid waste created, produced or brought upon the property to an approved disposal facility."

- 1) **Number of Uses** - The Residential Card will allow up to fifty-two (52) uses of the site with Standard Loads.
- 2) **Expiration Date** - The expiration date for all cards will be the last day of the fiscal year, June 30th. In addition, each month any unused punches for that month will expire on the last day of that month.
- 3) **No Refunds** - There will be no refunds at the end of the fiscal year (June 30) on partially used cards.
- 4) **Standard Load** - The maximum load allowed access to the landfill with one use of the Residential Card will be four hundred (400) pounds. If the Gate Services Assistant judges a load to be over this Standard Load limit, two or more punches will be made to the card.
- 5) **Cost** - The Residential Card will be priced at fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per month.
- 6) **Payment Options – Cards may be purchased:**

Period	Cost in Dollars	Number of Punches (i.e. 400 lb. loads)
Monthly	\$15.00	4
Bi-monthly	\$30.00	8
Annually:		
Advance Sale June Discount	\$150.00	52
Regular Sale July Purchase	\$160.00	52
Multiple Months After July 31	\$15 x no. of months	4 x no. of months

- 7) **Lost Cards** - Lost cards are to be reported immediately. The customer will not be responsible for unauthorized use of a card after if it is reported lost to the Waste Management business office located at 14310 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, CA 92553. The telephone number is (951) 486-3200.
- 8) **Maximum Load** – Mecca Landfill will not accept loads greater than 1 ton.
- 9) **Restrictions on Use of Card** - Household hazardous waste, loads with more than four (4) tires, other hard-to-handle waste, or commercial business waste will **not** be accepted on this card. Cards may only be used by the resident who paid for the card.
- 10) **Alternative County Gate Fee Site Usage** – When a customer has a need to dispose of trash on a day when both of the above landfills are closed, the customer may take that trash to a scaled County disposal site and use the Self-Haul Permit card there.

**APPENDIX C TO ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
RURAL SITE ACCESS -- COMMERCIAL PERMIT CARDS
FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006**

The Rural Site Access Card shall be necessary for admittance to the following rural landfills:

Mecca II Landfill

Oasis Landfill

COMMERCIAL CARD REGULATIONS:

A Commercial Waste Hauling Business Card (not authorized for use by permitted waste haulers) is available which provides for disposal of commercial waste generated within the remote service areas.

- 1) **Number of Uses** – The Commercial Card will have twenty-four (24) ½ ton available uses.
- 2) **Expiration Date** - There is no expiration date for the Commercial Card.
- 3) **No Refunds** – If a commercial operator goes out of business there shall be no refund for the unused card punches.
- 4) **Cost** – The Commercial Card will be priced at three-hundred, eighty-two dollars and ninety-two cents (\$382.92).
- 5) **Payment for Card** – The card shall be purchased in advance of usage and paid for by check. Cards may be purchased at any time of the year.
- 6) **Lost Cards** – Lost cards are to be reported immediately. The customer will not be responsible for unauthorized use of a card after it is reported lost to the Waste Management business office located at 14310 Frederick St., Moreno Valley, CA. The phone number is (951) 486-3200.
- 7) **Maximum Load** - Mecca Landfill will not accept loads greater than 1 ton.
- 8) **Restrictions on Use of Card** – Hazardous waste, loads with more than 4 tires, or other hard-to-handle waste will **not** be accepted at these rural sites.
- 9) **Alternative County Gate Fee Site Usage** – In the event that the Gate Services Assistant determines that the waste cannot be received at the Rural Site for whatever reason that day, and therefore directs the customer to take the waste to a scaled County disposal site, the Commercial Card may be used for access at the scaled site.

APPENDIX D TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
 SCHEDULE OF MISCELLANEOUS FEES
 FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY WASTE DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006

FEES FOR DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS

Document Name	Document Fee	Mailing/Handling Cost
Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP)	\$60.00	\$10.00
and Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE)	\$60.00	\$10.00
Nondisposal Facility Element (NDFE)	\$10.00	\$5.00
Countywide Disposal Tonnage Tracking System (CDTTS) Procedure Manual	\$50.00	\$10.00

FEES FOR DEPARTMENTAL COPY SERVICES

Copy Service	Copy Fee
Plotter Printer (Map copies):	
Size D	\$4.50
Size E	\$9.00
Specialty Sizes	\$2.65 a linear foot
Note: all map copies are on bond unless special request is made. Extra charge for special materials.	
Black & White copies:	
8-1/2"x 11"	.15 per side
8-1/2" x 14"	.15 per side
11" x 17"	.30 per side
Color Copies	
8-1/2"x 11"	\$1 per side
8-1/2" x 14"	\$1 per side
11" x 17"	\$2 per side
Request for Extra Ticket Copies	10¢/page w/ \$1.00 minimum
Request for Extra Billing Statement copies	10¢/page w/ \$1.00 minimum
Requests for Document Copies in Electronic Format (e.g. CD)	\$5.75/disc + \$2.25 for postage & mailer

APPENDIX D TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 779.7
 SCHEDULE OF MISCELLANEOUS FEES
 FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY WASTE DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006

OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Service	Fee
Replacement of Rural Site Access Cards	\$10.00
Cards ordered after initial setup of a deferred billing account or sub-account	\$3.00/each
Setup fee for each deferred billing account	\$50.00
Setup fee for each deferred billing sub-account	\$25.00
Administrative Charge for Delinquent Deferred Account Payment	1-1/2% per billing period on unpaid balance if payment is not made within 15 days from billing.
Checks returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF)	\$20.00 per occurrence
Account correction due to hauler/driver error	\$25.00 per occurrence
Late ticket submittals as described in the CDTTS Procedure Manual	\$25.00 per day
ATM/Debit Terminal Use	.75 per transaction
Special FAX Requests for Accounts Receivable	\$3.00 for the 1st page \$1.00 for each additional page
Special Accounts Receivable Research Requests	No charge within 30 days of statement date; \$3.75/qrtr hr if requested past 30 days
Special Review Costs -- Projects and Cases	Actual hourly cost of personnel + 40% to cover benefits and 10% to cover overhead
Sale of Compost Bins to Riverside County residents only	Biostack bin -- \$35 Presto Bin -- \$9 Worm Bin -- \$65 Composting Book -- \$2.50

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Waste Management Department


SUBMITTAL DATE:
April 14, 2006

SUBJECT: Introduction of County Ordinance 779.7

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Introduce and set for public hearing those changes set forth below and in Ordinance 779 including Appendices A, B, C, and D to the Ordinance;
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish a notice of the public hearing date of May 16, 2006 and the proposed Waste Management Department charges, as provided in Government Code Section 6066; and
3. Adopt Ordinance 779.7 including Appendices A, B, C, and D at the close of public hearing on May 16, 2006 with the changes to the appendices to be effective July 1, 2006.

BACKGROUND: The Ordinance 779 outlines the General Manager-Chief Engineer's (GM-CE) authority to operate the County disposal sites and transfer stations. In addition to establishing fees and penalties, this ordinance includes the basis for operation regulations including waste inspection, salvage, and safety.
(Cont'd)


Hans W. Kernkamp, General Manager-Chief Engineer

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Budget:	NO
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	NO
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	2007

SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE




County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Buster, seconded by Supervisor Stone and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above ordinance is approved as introduced with waiver of the reading, and is set for public hearing on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Wilson and Ashley
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Date: April 25, 2006
 xc: Waste Mgmt.; COB(2)

Nancy Romero
 Clerk of the Board
 By: 
 Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** | **Agenda Number:**

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED
 ROBERT E. BYRD, Auditor-Controller
 BY:  4/17/06
 Deputy Departmental Concurrence

FORM APPROVED
 COUNTY COUNSEL
 APR 17 2006


Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

BACKGROUND (Cont'd):

In order to maintain a safe and orderly operation it has become necessary to address certain uncooperative and unsafe behaviors of individuals at the disposal sites short of filing misdemeanor criminal charges. The recommended amendment to Section 9 of the Ordinance allows the GM-CE the option of denying entrance to the County disposal facilities when an individual is refusing to behave in a safe manner according to posted and stated rules and requests, or is disruptive to the safe operation of the facility. The notification of denied entrance would be supplied in writing and for a definite time period. In addition, minor modifications relating to position titles have been incorporated into the Ordinance at this time.

It is also recommended that the Ordinance be amended to allow for certain fee increases. As with several of our vendors and customers, the Waste Management Department's (WMD) costs have increased along with the inflation factors in the area. Increases in payroll costs alone have averaged over 5% as the Department has absorbed hourly rate increases, increases in unfunded retirement liability, and negotiated increases in benefits. Operation costs have increased with fuel costs and risk management costs as well as the increased costs of technology and communications.

Additionally, growth in the County population continues to put pressure on the remaining landfill sites to expand landfill area and hours of operations requiring additional equipment maintenance and equipment purchase costs. The effects of the growth are seen in the proposed budget for the year beginning July 1, 2006. The proposed budget requires the use of over \$8 million in Unreserved Net Assets to fund land purchases and liner expansions. In July 2004, WMD raised the disposal fees charged at the scaled, gated sites for the first time in a decade. Budgetary restraint and careful review of project costs had enabled management to forego an increase in July 1, 2005. However, an ongoing fiscal policy of not increasing the disposal fees will leave WMD underfunded and less able to respond to the growing disposal needs of the County.

WMD is limited to annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases for all its long-term, contracted transfer station haulers. The Department is recommending the same CPI increase for direct haul tonnage received at the gated and scaled landfills. The CPI increase based on the 12 month period ending December 31, 2005 is 4.5% or \$1.05 and \$1.37 a ton for long-term, contracted transfer station haulers and direct haulers, respectively. The rates would then become \$24.46 for transfer trucks (\$25.00 for Area 8 transfer trucks) and \$31.91 for direct haul vehicles. Charges for specialty and hard to handle disposals are calculated separately and are recommended to be increased by the same CPI.

The Department constantly strives to curtail illegal dumping and, to that end, recommends that:

1. There be no change in the minimum load fees and
2. The County adopt an allowance for the disposal of no more than two cathode ray tube (CRT) appliances (e.g. televisions or computer monitors) per customer per day at no charge.

It is believed that the inclusion of the CRTs as free disposal will not only support the Department's efforts to limit illegal dumping in the County, but will enhance the Department's reclamation programs as well.

BACKGROUND (Cont'd):

The fees for rural cards for residents in exempt collection service areas (Appendix B) have not been adjusted in over a decade. The recommended changes in the fee structures of these cards is to bring them more in line with the discounted rates that apply to minimum loads not exceeding .4 ton. The minimum load fee calculates to \$16 a month, and the Rural Residential Card is being adjusted to an amount not to exceed \$15 a month and could be as low as \$12.50 a month for customers who take advantage of the discounted rate offered before July 1.

The fees for commercial haulers within the rural areas (Appendix C) are recommended to be adjusted to reflect the CPI increase that is recommended for all non-contract haulers with waste loads in excess of .4 ton. The Commercial Card is used in ½ ton increments for 24 times without expiration. The recommended fee for this card is \$382.92 (or \$31.91 per ton for 12 tons).

The Appendix D that contains the Department miscellaneous fees is amended to allow for the Department to recapture the cost of providing information to vendors and contractors in electronic format, specifically CDs, and the special packaging and postage related to the media.

Attachment 1 has been provided to outline the recommended changes to the WMD fee structure.

Attachments

ATTACHMENT 1

Summary of Changes to Disposal Rates Effective July 1, 2006

Appendix A:

CPI Increases of 4.5%:

	<u>Fiscal Year 06</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 07</u>
• Routine Refuse	\$30.54/ton	\$31.91/ton
• Hard-to-handle Waste	\$40.72/ton	\$42.55/ton
• Loads of more than 9 tires	\$86.03/ton	\$89.90/ton

Other:

- Add televisions and CRTs to the list of "No Charge" dumping.

Appendix B:

• Monthly card for 4 punches	\$12.00	\$15.00
• Bimonthly card purchase for 8 punches	\$24.00	\$30.00
• Annual card worth 52 punches:		
○ Before July 1 of fiscal year	\$120.00	\$150.00
○ During July of fiscal year	\$144.00	\$160.00
• After July of fiscal year – 4 punches per month	prorated from month of purchase at monthly rate of \$12	prorated from month of purchase at monthly rate of \$15

Appendix C:

• Commercial Card for 24 punches (1/2 ton each)	\$366.48 (\$30.54/ton)	\$382.92 (\$31.91/ton)
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Appendix D:

Fees for Departmental Copy Services:

- Add a charge for producing copies of documents in electronic format such as CDs. Copy fee is recommended at \$5.75/disc. Postage & handling for the electronic media is recommended at \$2.25.