

**PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION RATES IN THE COUNTY FRANCHISED AREA WITHIN THE SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY SERVICE AREA, EXCLUSIVE OF COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 8 (NORTH FAIR OAKS AREA) AND WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT**

**Effective February 1, 2018**



**OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY**  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE RATES**  
County Franchised Area (Burlingame to Menlo Park)  
Effective February 1, 2018

This notice is to advise property owners of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors' (Board) proceedings to set rates for garbage and recyclables collection services in the unincorporated franchised area within the South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA) service area, and this notice is, therefore, given in accordance with Proposition 218 and Article XIID of the California Constitution.

Please take a survey regarding your garbage and recycling services  
[www.surveymonkey.com/r/73WZLZP](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/73WZLZP)

**SOLID WASTE RESOURCES FOR NORTH FAIR OAKS CUSTOMERS**

Collection and processing service contacts and additional contact information for other services in your area include:

**RECOLOGY SAN MATEO COUNTY GARBAGE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION**

[www.recology.com/recology-san-mateo-county/](http://www.recology.com/recology-san-mateo-county/)  
(650) 595-3900

**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY**

For more information on rates visit:  
[www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/](http://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/) or call our hotline at 1-888-442-2666.

**SBWMA (JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY) FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING**

[www.rethinkwaste.org](http://www.rethinkwaste.org)  
(650) 802-3500

**SHERIFFS OFFICE - NON EMERGENCIES**

(650) 599-1536

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH TOXICS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE**

(650) 372-6200

**PLANNING AND BUILDING COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE SECTION**

(650) 363-4825 or email: [codecomplaint@smcgov.org](mailto:codecomplaint@smcgov.org)

**ILLEGAL DUMPING**

To report illegal dumping please download the app (See Click Fix) or use the online system for reporting:  
[www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/hazardous-waste-illegal-dumping-litter/](http://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/hazardous-waste-illegal-dumping-litter/)

**CONTACT US**

For additional information regarding the proposed rates, visit: [www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/](http://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/), or contact the **Office of Sustainability** at 1-(888) 442-2666, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Table 1. Residential Garbage Curbside Collection Rates\***

Quantity	Size of the Container	Frequency of Pick-Up	Current Rate (\$/month)	Proposed Rate ** (\$/month)
1	20 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$31.12	\$32.05
1	32 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$36.98	\$38.09
1	64 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$61.95	\$61.95
1	96 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$88.00	\$88.00

\* The rate charged for Table 1 are for all three curbside carts, including: one garbage cart, one 64-gallon recycling cart, and one 96-gallon compost cart. The rate charged for curbside service is based upon the size of the garbage cart. Additional solid waste/recycling carts will be subject to the Unscheduled Service fees.

\*\* Residential Carts that are not located with 5 feet of the road right of way will incur additional service charges by Recology San Mateo County (RSMC) based upon the distance of the cart to the right of way in the road.

**Table 2. Commercial Garbage Collection Rates (Regularly Scheduled Weekly Service)**

Quantity	Size of the Container	Frequency of Pick-Up	Current Rate (\$/month)	Proposed Rate*** (\$/month)
1	32 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$34.96	\$34.96
1	64 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$61.95	\$61.95
1	96 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$88.00	\$88.00
1	1 yard bin	1 x per week	\$226.22	\$226.22
1	2 yard bin	1 x per week	\$429.25	\$429.25
1	3 yard bin	1 x per week	\$477.99	\$477.99
1	4 yard bin	1 x per week	\$637.36	\$637.36
1	6 yard bin	1 x per week	\$790.13	\$790.13
1	8 yard bin	1 x per week	\$1,053.45	\$1,053.45
1	9 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$1,185.14	\$1,185.14
1	15 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$1,975.24	\$1,975.24
1	20 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$2,633.66	\$2,633.66
1	30 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$3,950.48	\$3,950.48
1	40 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$5,267.31	\$5,267.31

For additional rate information please visit [www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/](http://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/)

## GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE IN THE COUNTY FRANCHISED AREA

Garbage and recyclables collection services to properties in the County Franchised Area are provided through a Franchise Agreement between the County of San Mateo and Recology San Mateo County (Recology). The County Franchised Area includes the following areas: Burlingame Hills, San Mateo Highlands and Baywood Park (Crystal Springs area), Harbor Industrial, Devonshire Canyon, Palomar Park, Oak Knoll, Kensington Square, Emerald Lake Hills, Sequoia Tract, Peninsula Golf Club, and Trailer Rancho.

The County Ordinance Code ("Title 4, Sanitation and Health, Chapter 4.04 Garbage Collection and Disposal") Section 4.04.360 defines the minimum residential service levels in the Franchised Area. The minimum charge to each parcel will be calculated based on Sections 4.04.360 (a)–(c) and the garbage rates applicable to the Franchised Area as:

- ▶ **Residential parcels** (one to four dwelling units), one (1)- 20-gallon cart or cubic yard equivalent per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Apartment House parcels** (more than four dwelling units), one (1)- 32-gallon cart or cubic yard equivalent per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Mixed Residential/Commercial and Industrial parcels:** one (1)- 32-gallon cart or cubic yard equivalent per dwelling unit and one (1)- 32-gallon cart or cubic yard equivalent per business.

## SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA), also known as Rethinkwaste.org, is comprised of 12 member agencies: Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, the City of San Mateo, the County of San Mateo, and the West Bay Sanitary District. Each member agency has its own franchise agreement with Recology for garbage and recycling collection services within their jurisdictions. The SBWMA provides coordinated waste management related staff services to member agencies, and manages the operations of the Shoreway Environmental Center in San Carlos.

## PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

The SBWMA compiled data from the Recology compensation application, data from South Bay Recycling (Shoreway Environmental Center operator), and information regarding member agency fees and other associated costs into a consolidated rate report. You can review the report at [www.rethinkwaste.org/uploads/media\\_items/092817-agenda.original.pdf](http://www.rethinkwaste.org/uploads/media_items/092817-agenda.original.pdf).

To make adjustments for the 2018 rate year, Recology was required to submit a contractor's compensation application based on actual services provided in 2017, the reconciliation of the actual revenue received for 2014-2016, and the estimated costs for providing services in 2018.

The Office of Sustainability (Office) conducted an analysis of the rates based on the SBWMA 2018 Rate Report, the projections of costs until the end of the contract term (2020), and the revenue collected from commercial and residential accounts customers. Based on this analysis, the Office is not recommending increases to commercial rates and a 3.0% increase for residential carts (20- and 32-gallon sizes) to better align the garbage rates with the actual costs to provide recycling and garbage services.

The current services for residential properties is one garbage cart, one recycling cart and one compost cart. All three services are included in one rate and this rate is based upon the size of your garbage cart.

The current rate for a 20-gallon cart is \$31.12, and the proposed rate is \$32.05. This represents an increase of \$.93 per month. The current rate for a 32-gallon cart is \$36.98, and the proposed rate is \$38.09 per month. This represents an increase of \$1.11 per month from the current rate adopted in 2017. The recommended proposed rates would be effective on February 1, 2018.

Unscheduled Services are generally those additional services that are specifically requested and paid for by the ratepayer, in addition to the basic collection service charges. The franchise agreement allowed for a CPI increase to the Unscheduled Services Fees. These Unscheduled Services Fees are effective January 1, 2018.

## WHAT DO THE PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES RATES PAY FOR?



- ▶ **Residential weekly curbside collection for garbage, recycling and organics**
- ▶ **Commercial weekly collection for garbage and recycling**
- ▶ **Used motor oil and oil filter collection**
- ▶ **Two free-"On-Call" bulky item pick-ups,**  
*Reminder: Recology will not pick up bulky items left near your carts. This service is a scheduled service.*
- ▶ **Curbside cell phone and battery collection**  
*Reminder: Batteries should not be placed inside your blue cart. Place on top of cart in a clear plastic bag.*
- ▶ **Holiday Tree recycling**
- ▶ **Free Mattress recycling at Shoreway for residents**
- ▶ **Free Electronics and small appliance recycling at Shoreway**
- ▶ **Once-per-year free confidential document shredding event**
- ▶ **Energy-efficient, cleaner emission garbage and recycling collection trucks**
- ▶ **Operation of the Shoreway Environmental Center for waste and recycling**

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors has scheduled a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 9:15 a.m. in the Board Chambers, located in the Hall of Justice and Records, 400 County Center, Redwood City, California,** to consider adopting a resolution for the proposed garbage and recyclables collection service rates for the County franchised area. The proposed rates are listed in this notice and on the website for the Board's Agenda for their meeting: <https://sanmateocounty.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx>.

The Public Hearing will be open to the public and anyone interested may appear and be heard on this matter or submit a written statement. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing on February 13, 2018, the Board will consider adopting the resolution setting garbage and recyclables collection service rates for the County Franchised Area.

Any property owner in the County Franchised Area may file a written protest against the proposed rate increases. Although the Board will consider all input, State law provides that only written protests from property owners may be counted to determine whether a majority protest to the proposed increase exists. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors must receive a written protest not later than the closing of the Public Hearing specified above to be counted. If a majority protest exists, the Board cannot impose the increased rates. If, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, a majority protest of property owners does not exist, the Board will consider adoption of the proposed rates. **The written protest must include the property owner's name, property service address, tax assessor's parcel number, and the property owner's signature.** Written protests may be hand delivered or mailed to the Clerk of the Board at 400 County Center, Redwood City, California 94063. No more than one protest per parcel may be submitted.

