



CITY OF LA HABRA HEIGHTS

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CITY OF LA HABRA HEIGHTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED INCREASE TO SOLID WASTE SERVICE RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

The La Habra Heights City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 23, 2020 at 6:30 P.M., or as soon as the matter may be heard, in the City Council Chambers located at 1245 N. Hacienda Road, La Habra Heights, California 90631, to consider a proposed increase to the solid waste service rates for residential customers.

Why am I receiving this notice?

The City Council directed staff to send out a public notice regarding a public hearing to consider increasing solid waste service rates for residential customers. Pursuant to the City's franchise agreement with Republic Services, residential solid waste service rates include the cost of disposing of solid waste at the landfill operated by the County. The County did not charge for the disposal of green material used as alternative daily cover (cover material placed on the surface of the landfill). Due to the passage of Assembly Bill 1594 in 2014, commencing on January 1, 2020, the County began charging for the disposal of green material used for alternative daily cover because this use will no longer constitute diversion through recycling. The purpose of the proposed increase to the solid waste service rates for residential customers is to pay for the increased disposal cost associated with composting the yard waste. The proposed increased rates are provided at the end of this notice. If the City Council approves this item, the rates effective May 1, 2020 will be reflected in the June-July 2020 billing. The rates effective July 1, 2020 will be reflected in the August – September billings. The rates may be increased in accordance with the maximum amounts and dates set forth in the exhibit.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers on April 23, 2020 at 6:30 P.M., or as soon as the matter may be heard, at 1245 N. Hacienda Road, La Habra Heights in City Council Chambers.

At the public hearing, the City Council will hear and consider all objections or protests to the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers. Any property owner or property tenant directly responsible for payment of solid waste service rates (each, a "solid waste customer") may submit a written protest against the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers. Written protests may be delivered to the City Clerk at City Hall. Protests that are mailed or delivered to City Hall must be received by the City Clerk before 5:00 P.M. on April 23, 2020. Protests submitted electronically will not be counted.

To be counted, a written protest must: (1) identify the parcel of property subject to the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers, (2) identify the solid waste customer, and (3) include the signature of the solid waste customer. A majority protest exists if, at the end of the public hearing, there are written protests submitted by a majority of the solid waste customers subject to the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers. No more than one written protest per parcel of property will be counted in calculating a majority protest. The City Council cannot adopt the proposed solid waste service rate increase if a majority protest exists.

When will the new rates go into effect? When will I see the new rates reflected in my Republic bill?

If the City Council approves this item, increased basic service rates will be billed on or after May 1, 2020, and will increase in accordance with a schedule of adjustments, all as set forth in the attached exhibit. The immediate increase will be reflected in the June – July 2020 billing. The July 1, 2020 annual increase in accordance with the formula specified in the City's contract with Republic Services will be reflected in the August – September billings.

I would like to learn more. Who do I call or email my questions to?

For more information about Assembly Bill 1594, please visit CalRecycle’s website at: <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/lgcentral/basics/adcgreen>.

For more information on the proposed increase to solid waste service rates for residential customers, please contact City Hall at (562) 694-6302.

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Schedule of Solid Waste Service Rates due to AB 1594

Below is the solid waste service rates effective May 1, 2020 for the City of La Habra Heights. The rates listed below do not include the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment provided for in the solid waste services agreement between Republic Services and the City of La Habra Heights. Section 9 of the waste services agreement allows Republic Services an annual adjustment of rates to address changes in inflation and fuel costs without further action by the City Council.

Service Description	Current Monthly Rate	AB 1594 Adjustment	Rate effective May 1, 2020
Set of 3 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 1 ea. greenwaste)	\$ 19.10	\$ 4.45	\$ 23.55
Set of 4 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 2 ea. greenwaste)	\$ 24.16	\$ 5.56	\$ 29.72
Set of 5 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 3 ea. greenwaste)	\$ 29.22	\$ 6.95	\$ 36.17
Set of 6 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 4 ea. greenwaste)	\$ 34.28	\$ 8.69	\$ 42.97
Set of 7 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 5 ea. greenwaste)	\$ 39.34	\$ 10.86	\$ 50.20

Service Description	Bill Date	Billing Period	* Bi-Monthly Billed Amount (\$23.55 x 2)	January - May (\$4.45 x 5)	Total
Set of 3 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 1 ea. greenwaste)	May 21st	Jun - Jul	\$ 47.10	\$ 22.25	\$ 69.35
Set of 3 ea. 96 gallon carts (1 ea. refuse, 1 ea. recycling, and 1 ea. greenwaste)	July 21st	**Aug - Sep	\$ 47.10	\$ -	\$ 47.10

* Excludes CPI Adjustment

** Applicable for all subsequent billing