



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department of Public Works

DATE: June 26, 2009
BOARD MEETING DATE: July 14, 2009
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: Complied with
Publication
Requirements
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: James C. Porter, Director of Public Works
SUBJECT: **Adoption of the 2009-10 Fiscal Year Garbage and Recyclables
Collection Service Charges Report in County Service Area No. 8
(North Fair Oaks)**

RECOMMENDATION:

Acting as the governing board of the County Service Area No. 8 and after conducting the public hearing, adopt a resolution:

1. Adopting the 2009-10 Fiscal Year Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Charges Report (Report) for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks); and
2. Directing the filing of the Report with the Controller; and
3. Authorizing the Director of Public Works to refund any overcharge contained in the report to the owner of the parcel that was overcharged when the overcharge resulted from data or data entry computation errors.

BACKGROUND:

On June 16, 2009, your Board adopted Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Rates for County Service Area No. 8 effective July 1, 2009 and January 1, 2010.

On June 16, 2009, your Board adopted a resolution setting July 14, 2009, at 9:15 a.m. in your Board Chambers, as the time and place of a public hearing to consider the adoption of the "2009-10 Fiscal Year Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks)".



DISCUSSION:

County Service Area No.8 provides garbage and recyclables collection service in the North Fair Oaks area through a franchise agreement with Republic Services. The County generates the revenue to pay Republic Services by charging fees based on pick-up units for each affected parcel that meets the criteria outlined in County Ordinance Code 4.04.180. These fees are defined and adopted each fiscal year in the “Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8”, and placed on the tax roll. All other commercial and industrial properties, and additional subscription services that are not placed on the County tax roll are billed directly by the franchised hauler, currently Republic Services.

The purpose of the public hearing on the Report is to allow your Board to hear and consider all objections or protests to the Report. At the close of this hearing, your Board may adopt the individual charges as presented, or revise, change, reduce or modify any charges in the Report.

The individual user charges contained in the Report were calculated in accordance with the rates adopted by your Board and County Ordinance Code Section 4.04.230. Occasionally, data, data entry, computation, or other errors occur during the annual updating and preparation of this Report. The proposed resolution authorizes the Director of Public Works to refund any overcharges resulting from any such errors in the “2009-10 Fiscal Year Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks)”.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Adoption of the Report contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by allowing the County Service Area No. 8 to continue to provide seamless garbage and recyclables collection service in the North Fair Oaks Area.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The adoption of the “2009-10 Fiscal Year Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Charges Report for County Service Area 8 (North Fair Oaks)” (Report) and its electronic filing with the Controller will result in the user charges contained therein being placed on the tax roll. These charges will appear on the 2009-10 tax bill of each affected property and will be collected in the same manner as the property tax. Exhibit A (attached) shows the current Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Rates for County Service Area No. 8.

There is no direct impact to the General Fund. However, garbage and recyclables collection service charges are levied on properties that are either leased or owned by the County within County Service Area No. 8.

Attachment: Exhibit A