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Assembly at the
Request of the
Mayor
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Services
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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AO No. 2021-105

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 26.80.050
AND 26.80.070 TO INCREASE RATES FOR THE SOLID WASTE SERVICES DISPOSAL
UTILITY.**

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 26.80.050 is amended to read as follows:

26.80.050 Charges

A. *Fee schedule for secured loads.* The following solid waste disposal user charges shall apply to secured loads:

1. Each user who delivers solid waste to a solid waste transfer or disposal facility in a vehicle shall pay a fee of \$6.00 for each load of one cubic yard or less. However, if the solid waste delivered in the vehicle is contained in four or less conventional garbage cans or four or less conventional plastic garbage bags, the user fee shall be \$2.00.
2. Each user who delivers between one and five cubic yards of solid waste, which does not exceed 1,000 pounds in weight, to a solid waste disposal facility that is hauled in a standard unmodified pickup truck, passenger van or trailer, whose bed and load do not exceed 96 inches in length, 66 inches in width and 36 inches in height, shall pay a fee of \$16.00 for each load. Each user who delivers a load of similar weight and dimension to a solid waste transfer facility shall pay a fee of \$16.00 for each load. Any user who disagrees with the attendant's estimate of the volume, dimension or weight shall have their load weighed and be charged in accordance with subsection A.3. or A.4. of this section.
3. Except as provided in section 26.80.055, at a solid waste transfer or disposal facility that has operational scales, each user who does not meet the requirements of subsections A.1. through A.2. of this section shall have their load weighed and pay the greater of \$16.00 per load or \$71.97 [67.73] per ton at the solid waste disposal facility and the greater of \$21.00 per load or \$83.96 [79.02] per ton at a solid waste transfer facility.

4. At a solid waste transfer or disposal facility that does not have operational scales, each user who does not meet the requirements of subsections A.1. through A.2. of this section shall pay \$11.25 [10.60] per cubic yard of non-compacted solid waste or \$22.50 [21.20] per cubic yard of compacted solid waste as measured by the facility attendant.
5. Yard debris or food scraps delivered to the Anchorage Regional Landfill in quantities greater than a cubic yard for composting or alternative uses are subject to a fee equal to one-half (1/2) the per ton rate at the solid waste disposal facility, as described in A.3. of this section. Loads must be free of contaminants to qualify as compostable and must be segregated from other waste streams. This fee does not apply to wood lot deliveries.
6. The solid waste disposal facility may accept certain materials at reduced tipping fees when the material can be used to beneficially offset landfill construction materials the Municipality would have to otherwise purchase or produce. These materials include but are not limited to daily cover materials, pipe bedding, and topsoil. Acceptance at a reduced tipping fee shall be at the sole discretion of the G[G]eneral M[M]anager or their designee depending on the nature of the material and the demand for the material and its suitability for use at the landfill. Acceptability and reduced tipping fees shall be determined by the G[G]eneral M[M]anager prior to delivery to the landfill and shall be based on the relative benefit to the Municipality for the operation of the landfill.
7. The General Manager may allow the disposal of certain solid wastes generated outside the boundaries of the municipality if it is determined that:
 - a. No other acceptable disposal sites are reasonably available within the state for the solid waste;
 - b. The solid waste can be safely and efficiently disposed of at the Anchorage Regional Landfill; and
 - c. The solid waste will not significantly impact the capacity of the Anchorage Regional Landfill.

The fee charged for disposal of solid waste generated outside the boundaries of the municipality shall be double the charges contained in subsections A.3. and A.4. of this section.
8. Disposal of used motor oil and hazardous waste, and recycling non-residential electronics waste, shall be subject to the following:

- a. Each residential user may deliver up to five gallons per day of used motor oil for no charge. Residential users who deliver used motor oil in excess of five gallons per day but less than ten gallons per day in containers not exceeding five gallons in size shall be charged \$1.00 per gallon.
- b. Each residential user may deliver up to 40 pounds per day, and a maximum of 200 pounds per month, of household hazardous waste, excluding electronic wastes, to the hazardous waste facilities located at the Central Transfer Station or Anchorage Regional Landfill for no charge.
- c. Each residential user who delivers more than 40 pounds per day of household hazardous waste and very small quantity generators, as defined by 40 CFR 262.14, who deliver hazardous waste to the hazardous waste facility located at the Anchorage Regional Landfill shall pay the appropriate amounts from the following schedule:

HOUSEHOLD AND VERY SMALL QUANTITY GENERATORS
HAZARDOUS WASTE PRICE SHEET

Flammable paint and paint-related products	\$1.00/lb.
Latex Paint and latex paint-related products	0.50/lb.
Nonchlorinated solvents	0.75/lb.
Corrosive materials	0.50/lb.
Gasoline, diesel, fuel oils and related products	0.70/lb.
Chlorinated solvents	1.50/lb.
Oxidizers and peroxides	5.00/lb.
Other reactive chemicals	25.00/lb.
Unknowns	1.00/lb.
Poisons	1.00/lb.
Lubricating oils	1.00/gal.
Antifreeze	1.00/gal.
Other regulated material	0.50/lb.
Batteries, lead acid	5.00/ea.
Batteries, other	0.75/lb.
PCBs: Residential regulated ballasts, only	1.00/lb.
Photo chemicals	1.50/gal.
All others	1.00/lb.
Miscellaneous nonhazardous materials	0.25/lb.

Note: The Municipality and its contractor may reject unlabeled or improperly labeled containers of unknown content, or materials considered too dangerous to safely handle at the Hazardous Waste Facility; at the discretion of the facility operator.

- d. The solid waste disposal utility will collect waste motor oil and hazardous waste at the customer's premise for \$168.75 per

pick up. This fee is in addition to the fees listed in subsection 26.80.050A.7.c.

e. Hazardous waste generated by small quantity generators and large quantity generators as defined by 40 CFR 262.13 cannot be accepted at the municipal hazardous waste facilities.

f. Air conditioning and refrigeration equipment containing either chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's) and/or hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC's) shall not be disposed of in the Anchorage Regional Landfill. CFC's and HCFC's will be removed by the solid waste disposal utility for an extra charge of \$25.50 [24.00] for each air conditioning and refrigeration unit. Refrigeration units must be emptied of all contents before delivery to the landfill or transfer station.

g. Generators of electronics waste may recycle computer monitors, Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs), other circuit board-containing components, cables, and hand-held electronic devices at the hazardous waste facility located at the Anchorage Regional Landfill, according to the following:

- i. CRTs and LCD displays larger than 10 inches \$30.00
- ii. CRTS greater than 19 inches\$35.00
- iii. Other E-waste 0.50/pound
- iv. Cables No charge

9. For all items that require special handling by solid waste disposal personnel when they are received at any [ALL] disposal site[S], the user shall be charged \$167.92 [158.04] per hour. This charge will be in addition to the charges stated in subsections A.3. and A.4. of this section and will be charged in one-half hour increments. Special handling will include but not be limited to items such as large animals, asbestos, drugs and tobacco, and confidential documents.

B. *Fee schedule for unsecured loads.*

- 1. Unsecured loads transported by cars, pickups or trailers eight feet or less in length shall be charged \$30.00 more than the secured load charge described in subsection A. of this section.
- 2. All other unsecured loads shall be charged \$60.00 more than the secured load charge described in subsection A. of this section.

C. *Municipal disposal permit accounts.*

1. Individuals or firms which regularly use the municipal disposal facilities may obtain a permit card badge which authorizes the extension of credit for disposal service transactions. Applications for a permit card badge may be obtained at the Solid Waste Services Customer Service department. All applications shall be signed by an authorized agent of the individual or firm applying for the permit card badge. All applications are subject to approval by the General Manager, Solid Waste Services [GENERAL MANAGER, SOLID WASTE SERVICES] department, or designee.
2. Approved applicants will be supplied one permit card badge at no charge. Additional or replacement badges will be issued for a charge of \$6.38 [6.00] per badge.
3. Customers will not be allowed to charge transactions unless they present a valid permit card badge to the weigh station attendant.
4. Charges for which credit is extended under a permit account will be billed monthly on the solid waste utility billing statement.
5. Failure to maintain a permit account in a current condition may subject the permit to cancellation at any time without notice to the permit holder.

D. *Definitions.*

Secured load, as used in this section, means a load of solid waste which has been tied or covered in the vehicle in a manner that will prevent any part of the solid waste from leaving the vehicle while the vehicle is moving and so that the load shall not be in violation of subsection 15.20.020B.6.

Contaminants, as used in this section, refers to any material found in recycling or organics collection that is not accepted in those programs per the SWS website.

Yard debris or food scraps, as used in this section, refers to organic matter that can be recycled into compost. A full list of acceptable materials is available on the SWS website.

(AO No. 82-224; AO No. 83-196; AO No. 83-221; AO No. 85-9; AO No. 86-203, 1-9-87; AO No. 87-19, 4-1-87; AO No. 89-2; AO No. 93-96(S), § 1, 5-11-93; AO No. 96-18(S), § 1, 4-9-96; AO No. 96-100, § 1, 1-1-96; AO No. 99-107, § 1, 8-10-99; AO No. 2003-76, § 1, 5-13-03; AO No. 2005-13, § 2, 2-15-05; AO No. 2007-146(S), § 2, 4-1-08; AO No. 2008-83, § 1, 4-1-09; AO No. 2010-81(S-1), § 34, 12-7-10, eff. 1-1-11; AO No. 2011-120(S), § 1, 12-13-11, eff. 4-1-12; AO No. 2018-99, § 1, 1-1-19; AO 2019-125, § 1, 1-1-20; AO No. 2020-92, § 1, eff. 1-1-21))

Section 2. Anchorage Municipal Code section 26.80.070 is amended to read as follows:

26.80.070 - Surcharges to support community recycling initiatives.

- A. The solid waste disposal utility shall implement community-wide initiatives to support reduction, recycling, and reuse of waste products otherwise disposed of at the landfill.
- B. The solid waste disposal utility shall collect a surcharge on all wastes delivered to solid waste transfer or disposal facilities to finance the implementation of these initiatives.
1. Each user delivering waste to a solid waste transfer or disposal facility in quantities weighing less [MORE] than 1,000 pounds, and with a total volume of less than five cubic yards shall be assessed a surcharge to the existing disposal fee of \$2.00 per visit.
 2. At solid waste transfer or disposal facilities with working scales, each user delivering waste in quantities weighing more than 1,000 pounds or with a total volume greater than five cubic yards shall be assessed a surcharge, added to the existing tipping fee of \$2.00 per ton of waste delivered.
 3. At a solid waste transfer or disposal facility with no operational scales, each user meeting the requirements of subsection B.1. shall pay a surcharge to the existing tipping fee of:
 - a. \$0.50 per cubic yard of non-compacted solid waste, as measured by the facility attendant;
 - b. \$0.75 per cubic yard of compacted solid waste, as measured by the facility attendant.
- C. Fees collected through the surcharge in this chapter shall be used by the solid waste disposal utility for capital development costs, operating costs, consulting fees, and management fees associated with recycling programs, as approved by the General Manager. Fees may also be used to offset lost revenues to the disposal utility incurred due to diversion of waste tonnages to recycling efforts.

(AO No. 2008-62(S), § 1, 8-1-08; AO No. 2011-120(S), § 2, 12-13-11, eff. 4-1-12; AO No. 2012-33, § 1, 4-1-12, AO No. 2019-125, § 2, 1-1-20; AO No. 2020-92, § 2, eff. 1-1-21)

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective on January 1, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 1st day of November, 2021.

ATTEST:

Chair

Municipal Clerk