

On joint motion of all Councilmembers present the following ordinance was offered:

SUMMARY NO. 24001 ORDINANCE NO. 24722

An ordinance amending Chapter 16, Article III, Sections 16-41, 16-44 and 16-45 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances in order to revise regulations to provide for solid waste storage, collection and the fees associated therein and the recycling regulations and the fees associated therein and related matters. (Parishwide)

WHEREAS, Jefferson Parish has negotiated a contract for the combined collection of twice per week semi-automated collection of solid waste and once per week manual collection of recyclable materials; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Chapter 16 to reflect the combined service fee for the collection of solid waste and recyclable materials placed between the sidewalk and the curb; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the contract for the combined collection of solid waste and recyclable materials, the fees for such services have been combined into one fee; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Parish that no exemptions from said service costs shall be applied;

THE JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That the first sentence in Chapter 16, Article III, Section 16-41 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

Sec. 16-41 Fees, billing and collection of delinquent accounts.

(a) *Charges for collection of refuse solid waste and recyclable materials.*

- (1) There is hereby established a system of combined charges for the operation of a parish wide refuse solid waste and recyclable materials collection program for refuse solid waste and recyclable materials placed between the sidewalk and the curb. The base charge for the operation of the refuse solid waste and recyclable materials collection program will be adjusted annually beginning January 1, 2004 2015 based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index. The annual adjustment will equal a U.S. City Average 12 month percentage change in the All Urban Consumers—All Items Index (CPI-U) as compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The service charge shall be collected regularly on the same billings of the waterworks of the parish, payable at the offices of the department of water and its authorized collecting agencies. All accounts shall be considered delinquent if not paid within ten (10) days after receipt of same. If a delinquent account is not paid within thirty (30) days after receipt of bill, the parish shall have the right to proceed for the collection of such unpaid charges in a manner provided by law for the collection of parish claims.

The CPI adjusted refuse solid waste and recyclable materials collection charges are published annually in the Official Journal of Jefferson Parish and in the Progressive Jefferson, the publication ordinarily accompanying the water bills themselves.

- (2) The above-mentioned service charge will be collected bimonthly on the same billing of the waterworks of the parish, payable at the offices of the department of water and its authorized collecting agencies.
- (3) All accounts shall be considered delinquent if not paid ten (10) days after receipt of same. If a delinquent account is not paid within thirty (30) days after receipt of the bill, the director of environmental affairs shall cease all refuse solid waste and recyclable materials collection for that account. Service shall be resumed thereafter only on payment of the accumulated fees for the period of collection plus ten (10) percent.
- (4) The stoppage of services hereinbefore authorized for nonpayment of collection charges shall be in addition to the right of the parish to proceed for the collection of such unpaid charges in a manner provided by law for the collection of a parish claim.

(b) [Reserved.]

SECTION 2. That Chapter 16, Article III, Sections 16-44 and 16-45 are here by deleted in their entirety.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 7 NAYS: None ABSENT: None

The ordinance was declared to be adopted on this the 9th day of April, 2014, and shall become effective as follows; if signed forthwith by the Parish President, ten (10) days after adoption, thereafter upon signature by the Parish President, or, if not signed by the Parish President, upon expiration of the time for ordinances to be considered finally adopted without the signature of the Parish President, as provided in Section 2.07 of the Charter. If vetoed by the Parish President and subsequently approved by the Council, this ordinance shall become effective on the day of such approval.

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED
TO BE A TRUE & CORRECT COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Eula A. Lopez".

EULA A. LOPEZ
PARISH CLERK
JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL