

Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission Officer Briefing April 18, 2019

2019-20 RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, RECYCLING & COMPOSTING COLLECTION RATE REVIEW UPDATE

Every year, the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability sets rates for curbside residential garbage, recycling, and yard debris collection service. The rate review process analyzes the financial records of a sample of the 11 private franchised haulers and determines the cost of providing service for the different garbage container sizes used by customers.

Below are the draft monthly rate components for the most common service level, the 35 gallon roll cart collected every other week:

35 gallon roll cart, every other week	DRAFT FY 2019- 20 Rate Model	Current FY 2018-19	Dollar Difference	Percent Change
Costs	\$27.91	\$27.59	\$0.32	1%
Operating Margin	\$2.93	\$2.90	\$0.03	1%
Incentive Discount	\$0	-\$0.27	\$0.27	-100%
Franchise Fee	\$1.62	\$1.59	\$0.03	2%
Rate Review Result	\$32.46*	\$31.80	\$0.66	2%

*The draft rate in the table above does not include the Portland Clean Energy Fund 1% surcharge, which may apply to some franchisees. If it is determined that the surcharge will apply, rates for all 35 gallon roll cart customers will increase by an additional ~\$0.20. BPS anticipates receiving a determination from the Revenue Division next week.

BPS staff is working to develop rates for the other service levels to present to PSC at the April 30 hearing. Rates for all service levels will increase but increases for larger carts will be smaller as part of BPS' effort to make the larger carts more affordable and encourage households to right-size their containers.

