10/23/23 (Date of First Reading) 11/06/23 (Date of Public Hearing)

ORDINANCE NO. M-4422

AN ORDINANCE relating to the collection of solid waste, recyclable materials and organics, and amending certain sections of VMC 6.12 to increase or adjust rates and charges consistent with approved utility user taxes and rates and in accordance with current contracts for the coming year; providing for savings, severability and an effective date.

WHEREAS, solid waste collection, residential recycling, and organics rates within VMC 6.12 were last changed by adoption of Ordinance M-4381 (November 7, 2022), and current rates became effective January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City's contract for Comprehensive Garbage, Recyclables, and Organics Collection Services, effective April 1, 2019, contains provisions for annual adjustments to rates charged by the Contractor based upon changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), a Fuel Index, changes in disposal and recyclables processing tip fees, and changes in the City Fee as calculated through the contract's Exhibit D rate model; and

WHEREAS, the Inflation Adjustment Factor (IAF) for rates set for the 2024 period has been calculated at 5.36% by combining a 6.547 percent increase in the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue CPI-W and a 8.4 percent increase in the Fuel Index (weighted 92 percent and 8 percent respectively) factored at 80 percent as the allowed annual compensation adjustment for the collection contractor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Clark County's contract with Columbia Resource Company for the waste, recycling processing, transfer and disposal services, tip fees at transfer stations used to dispose of waste collected by the Contractor under the specifications of the comprehensive collection contract are set to increase by 5.3 percent to \$111.94 per ton of municipal solid waste effective January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2019, Clark County established a recyclables processing fee for residential recyclables delivered under the contract with Columbia Resources Company.

Based on a review of operational factors, revenues and allowable costs, Clark County has indicated the recyclables processing fee will be adjusted to \$72.89 per ton on January 1, 2024 (a 74.7 percent increase), therefore the recyclables processing surcharge amounts established for City curbside and multi-family customers will be impacted; and

WHEREAS, the City's comprehensive collection contract also contains provisions for annual adjustments in hauler compensation through rates for recycling and organics collection services based on the above-noted changes in the IAF (CPI and fuel index); and

WHEREAS, the City's Financial Management Policies, updated for the 2023-2024
Biennial Budget, provide guidance for balancing current revenues with current operating
expenditures (#3), for exercising sound financial estimation of revenues through reasonably
conservative but realistic assumptions (#8), for applying the principle of full cost recovery in
enterprise (Solid Waste) fund operations (#17), and for maintenance of both working capital (#2)
and designated liability funding (#4) reserves; and as these policies are variously addressed
through the adjustment of rates and City Fee paid by the collector as allowed for in Exhibit D;
and

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. VMC 6.12.208, adopted by Ordinance M-2665 and last amended by M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.208 Residential/multifamily cart rates.

The following table lists rates charged for residential/multifamily cart service:

Curb Service:	2023 <u>2024</u>
32-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	22.89 24.46 per month
Each additional cart	22.89 24.46 per month
Every other week	17.17 <u>18.35</u> per month
Each additional cart	17.17 <u>18.35</u> per month
Once a month	10.30 11.01 per month
64-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	45.78 48.92 per month
Each additional cart	45.78 48.92 per month

Every other week

22.89 24.46 per month

96-gallon cart service

Weekly collection 68.67 73.38 per month

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20-gallon cart service

Weekly collection 17.17 18.35 per month

Every other week $\frac{13.73}{14.68}$ per month

Carryout Service:

32-gallon cart service

Weekly collection 34.34 36.69 per month

Each additional cart 34.34 36.69 per month

Every other week 25.76 27.53 per month

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Once a month

	10.10 <u>10.02</u> per monur
64-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	57.23 <u>61.15</u> per month
Every other week	48.65 51.99 per month
96-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	80.12 85.61 per month
20-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	25.76 27.53 per month
Every other week	20.60 22.02 per month
Special/Optional Services:	
Extra 32-gallon or equivalent (or portion thereof)	

15.45 16.52 per month

9.02 9.64 per pick up

13.51 14.44 per pick up

Curb

Carryout

Return trip fee $\frac{13.15}{13.85}$ per trip

Overweight/overfilled cart Billed as an extra

Cart replacement fee At cost

Cart delivery, initial $\frac{0.00}{0.00}$ Cart delivery, subsequent $\frac{16.36}{17.24}$

Late Fee:

1.5 percent of balance outstanding at 30 days past due date.

Vacation Allowance:

Minimum period of two weeks.

Maximum of three vacations per year.

Section 2. VMC 6.12.209, adopted by Ordinance M-2665 and last amended by Ordinance M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.209 Commercial cart rates.

The following table lists garbage rates charged for commercial cart service:

Curb Service:	2023 <u>2024</u>
20-gallon cart service	
Weekly cart service	19.10 20.41 per month
Every other week	15.28 16.33 per month
32-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	25.46 27.21 per month
Each additional cart	25.46 27.21 per month
Every other week	19.10 20.41 per month
Each additional cart	19.10 20.41 per month
Once a month	11.46 <u>12.24</u> per month
64-gallon cart service	
Weekly collection	50.92 54.42 per month
Each additional cart	50.92 54.42 per month
Every other week	25.46 27.21 per month

96-gallon cart service

Weekly collection	76.38 <u>81.63</u> per month

Every other week 57.30 61.23 per month

Carryout Service:

20-gallon cart service

Weekly collection	28.65 30.62 per month

Every other week 22.92 24.50 per month

32-gallon cart service

Weekly collection	38.19 40.82 per month

Each additional cart $38.19 \underline{40.82}$ per month

Every other week 28.65 30.62 per month

Each additional cart 28.65 30.62 per month

Once a month $\frac{17.19}{18.36}$ per month

64-gallon cart service

Weekly collection 63.65 68.03 per month

Every other week $\frac{38.19}{40.82}$ per month

96-gallon cart service

Weekly collection 89.11 95.24 per month

Special/Optional Services:

Extra 32-gallon or equivalent (or portion thereof)

Curb 9.98 <u>10.66</u> per pick up

Carryout <u>15.05</u> <u>16.08</u> per pick up

Return trip fee 13.15 13.85 per trip

Overweight/overfilled cart Billed as an extra

Cart replacement fee At cost

Cart delivery, initial 0.00

Cart delivery, subsequent 16.46 17.34

Subscription-based commercial organics collection service is available at rates listed in VMC 6.12.213.

Late Fee:

1.5 percent of balance outstanding at 30 days past due date.

Vacation Allowance:

Minimum period of two weeks.

Maximum of three vacations per year.

Section 3. VMC 6.12.210, adopted by Ordinance C-33 and last amended by Ordinance M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.210 Container rates.

The following Table 6.12.210 lists garbage rates charged for container service:

Table 6.12.210. (2023 2024 Rates)

Regular Containers Weekly Frequency

Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(In Yards)							
1	\$ <u>157.18</u>	\$ 314.36	\$ 471.54	\$ 628.72	\$ 785.90	\$ 943.08	\$ 1,100.26
	<u>\$167.96</u>	\$335.92	\$503.88	\$671.84	\$839.80	\$1,007.76	\$1,175.72
1.5	\$ 196.48	\$ 392.95	\$ 589.43	\$ 785.90	\$ 982.38	\$ 1,178.85	\$ 1,375.33
	<u>\$209.95</u>	<u>\$419.90</u>	<u>\$629.85</u>	\$839.80	<u>\$1,049.75</u>	\$1,259.70	<u>\$1,469.65</u>
2	\$ 235.77	\$ 471.54	\$ 707.31	\$ 943.08	\$ 1,178.85	\$ 1,414.62	\$ 1,650.39
	\$251.94	\$503.88	\$755.82	\$1,007.76	\$1,259.70	\$1,511.64	\$1,763.58
3	\$ 314.36	\$ 628.72	\$ 943.08	\$ 1,257.44	\$ 1,571.80	\$ 1,886.16	\$ 2,200.52
	\$335.92	<u>\$671.84</u>	\$1,007.76	\$1,343.68	\$1,679.60	\$2,015.52	\$2,351.44
4	\$ 392.95	\$ 785.90	\$ 1,178.85	\$ 1,571.80	\$ 1,964.75	\$ 2,357.70	\$ 2,750.65
	\$419.90	\$839.80	\$1,259.70	\$1,679.60	\$2,099.50	\$2,519.40	\$2,939.30
5	\$ 471.54	\$ 943.08	\$ 1,414.62	\$ 1,886.16	\$ 2,357.70	\$ 2,829.24	\$ 3,300.78
	\$503.88	<u>\$1,007.76</u>	<u>\$1,511.64</u>	\$2,015.52	\$2,519.40	\$3,023.28	\$3,527.16
6	\$ 550.13	\$1,100.26	\$ 1,650.39	\$ 2,200.52	\$ 2,750.65	\$ 3,300.78	\$ 3,850.91
	<u>\$587.86</u>	\$1,175.72	\$1,763.58	\$2,351.44	\$2,939.30	\$3,527.16	\$4,115.02
8	\$ 707.31	\$ 1,414.62	\$ 2,121.93	\$ 2,829.24	\$ 3,536.55	\$ 4,243.86	\$ 4,951.17
	\$755.82	\$1,511.64	\$2,267.46	\$3,023.28	\$3,779.10	\$4,534.92	\$5,290.74

Regular Containers at Space Constrained Locations (Space Saver Rate) Weekly Frequency

Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(In Yards)							
1		\$ 259.35	\$ 345.80	\$ 432.25	\$ 518.69	\$ 605.14	\$ 778.04
		\$277.13	\$369.51	<u>\$461.89</u>	\$554.27	<u>\$646.65</u>	\$831.40
1.5		\$ 345.80	\$ 561.92	\$ 605.14	\$ 821.27	\$ 950.94	\$ 1,167.06
		\$369.51	<u>\$600.46</u>	<u>\$646.65</u>	\$877.59	\$1,016.16	\$1,247.10
2		\$ 432.25	\$ 605.14	\$ 778.04	\$ 1,037.39	\$ 1,210.29	\$ 1,383.18
		<u>\$461.89</u>	<u>\$646.65</u>	\$831.40	\$1,108.54	\$1,293.29	\$1,478.0 <u>5</u>
3		\$ 605.14		\$ 1,210.29	\$ 1,556.08	\$ 1,815.43	\$ 2,074.78
		<u>\$646.65</u>		\$1,293.29	\$1,662.80	\$1,939.94	\$2,217.07
4		\$ 778.04		\$ 1,556.08		\$ 2,334.12	
		\$831.40		\$1,662.80		\$2,494.21	
5							
6							
8							

Compactor Containers Weekly Frequency

Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(In Yards)							
1	\$ 352.80	\$ 705.60	\$ 1,058.40	\$ 1,411.20	\$ 1,764.00	\$ 2,116.80	\$ 2,469.60
	\$377.00	<u>\$754.00</u>	\$1,131.00	\$1,508.00	\$1,885.00	\$2,262.00	\$2,639.00
1.5	\$ 441.00	\$ 882.00	\$ 1,323.00	\$ 1,764.00	\$ 2,205.00	\$ 2,646.00	\$ 3,087.00
	<u>\$471.25</u>	<u>\$942.50</u>	<u>\$1,413.75</u>	<u>\$1,885.00</u>	<u>\$2,356.25</u>	\$2,827.50	\$3,298.7 <u>5</u>
2	\$ 529.20	\$ 1,058.40	\$ 1,587.60	\$ 2,116.80	\$ 2,646.00	\$ 3,175.20	\$ 3,704.40
	\$565.50	\$1,131.00	\$1,696.50	\$2,262.00	\$2,827.50	\$3,393.00	\$3,958.50
3	\$ 705.60	\$ 1,411.20	\$ 2,116.80	\$ 2,822.40	\$ 3,528.00	\$ 4,233.60	\$ 4,939.20
	\$754.00	\$1,508.00	\$2,262.00	\$3,016.00	\$3,770.00	\$4,524.00	\$5,278.00
4	\$ 882.00	\$ 1,764.00	\$ 2,646.00	\$ 3,528.00	\$ 4,410.00	\$ 5,292.00	\$ 6,174.00
	\$942.50	<u>\$1,885.00</u>	\$2,827.50	\$3,770.00	\$4,712.50	\$5,655.00	\$6,597.50
5	\$ 1,058.40	\$ 2,116.80	\$ 3,175.20	\$ 4,233.60	\$ 5,292.00	\$ 6,350.40	\$ 7,408.80
	\$1,131.00	\$2,262.00	\$3,393.00	\$4,524.00	\$5,655.00	<u>\$6,786.00</u>	<u>\$7,917.00</u>
6	\$ 1,234.80	\$ 2,469.60	\$ 3,704.40	\$ 4,939.20	\$ 6,174.00	\$ 7,408.80	\$ 8,643.60
	\$1,319.50	\$2,369.00	\$3,958.50	\$5,278.00	\$6,597.50	<u>\$7,917.00</u>	\$9,236.50
8	\$ 1,587.60	\$ 3,175.20	\$ 4,762.80	\$ 6,350.40	\$ 7,938.00	\$ 9,525.60	\$ 11,113.20
	\$1,696.50	\$3,393.00	\$5,089.50	\$6,786.00	\$8,482.50	\$10,179.00	\$11,875.50

Note: Above rates are for containers supplied by contractor. Rates for compacted solid waste apply only when such waste has been compacted by any mechanical device prior to its pickup by the collector. Loose waste dumped into the collector's packer truck from a container will be subject to the rates for noncompacted material. However, waste that has

been compressed or compacted by any mechanical device and then subsequently dumped into a loose yard container to be picked up by the contractor shall be subject to compacted container rates only upon prior written approval of the Director.

Special Services:

Special pickups shall be charged the extra yard rate multiplied by the size of the container plus the return trip charge.

	2023 <u>2024</u>
One-time delivery/pickup/disposal of 3-yard "Rent-a-Bin"	199.24 <u>212.91</u>
Additional "Rent-a-Bin" pickup	123.46 131.93
Return trip (blocked container, etc.)	19.28 <u>20.31</u>
Lock charge (if manual system used)	3.09 <u>3.26</u> per collection
Subsequent deliveries/moves/replacements	35.08 36.96 per trip
Accessibility charge	4.38 <u>4.61</u> per collection
Rollout charge	
Greater than 15 feet	4.38 <u>4.61</u> per collection
Greater than 20 feet	7.01 <u>7.39</u> per collection
Steam cleaning (customer request or requirement)	52.63 55.45 per container
Overfill/extra yardage (or portion thereof)	19.89 21.25 per event

Overweight charges for container service:

If the contractor identifies that a customer's disposal weights are consistently in excess of 130 pounds per loose yard (if charged loose container rates) or 455 pounds per compacted yard, or per yard of heavy material such as dirt, rock, etc. (if charged compacted container rates) the contractor may charge a flat overweight surcharge in addition to the regular rates. The surcharge will be equal to the weight in excess of 200 pounds per loose yard or 700 pounds per compacted yard multiplied by the current disposal rates per pound, multiplied by the number of yards serviced per month. The surcharge may also be applied to any extra or special pickups. The contractor shall not charge the overweight container charge until the ongoing overweight account has been brought to the attention of the director. The contractor may charge the overweight charge once the director has investigated the issue and made a written determination as to whether or not the proposed charge is appropriate to the situation.

Late Fee: 1.5 percent of balance outstanding at 30 days past due date.

Vacation Allowance:

Minimum period of two weeks.

Maximum of three vacations per year.

Section 4. VMC 6.12.211, adopted by Ordinance M-2665 and last amended by Ordinance M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.211 Drop box and compactor rates.*

The following table lists garbage rates charged for drop box and compactor service:

Regular Service:	2023 <u>2024</u>
Initial placement fee	43.82 46.17 per trip
Moving fee	43.82 46.17 per trip
Steam clean	
(per customer request or as required)	4.72 4.97 per yard
Minimum	45.87 48.33 min
Plus: pickup and redelivery	43.82 46.17 per trip

Trucking Fee (empty and return - roundtrip haul charge):

Drop box

10-yard	171.88 <u>181.09</u>
20-yard	171.88 <u>181.09</u>
30-yard	171.88 <u>181.09</u>
40-yard	171.88 <u>181.09</u>
Compactor	
10-yard	190.99 <u>201.22</u>
20-yard	190.99 <u>201.22</u>
30-yard	190.99 <u>201.22</u>
40-yard	190.99 <u>201.22</u>

Organics Trucking Fee (empty and return - roundtrip haul charge):

Drop box

10-yard	122.21 <u>128.75</u>

20-yard <u>122.21</u> <u>128.75</u>

30-yard <u>122.21</u> <u>128.75</u>

40-yard <u>122.21</u> <u>128.75</u>

Compactor

20-yard <u>135.79</u> <u>143.07</u>

30-yard <u>135.79</u> <u>143.07</u>

40-yard <u>135.79</u> <u>143.07</u>

Add disposal pass through at amount of tipping fee and disposal transaction fees or taxes to above charges.

Daily demurrage - Per day 4.10 4.32 per day

Monthly demurrage - Monthly maximum 123.39 130.00 monthly max

Special/modified box rental

(Lid/screen/winch, etc.) - Per day 5.88 <u>6.19</u> per day

Monthly maximum 177.04 186.52 monthly max

Waiting time

(after first 10 minutes) - Charge per minute 2.08 2.19 per minute

Mileage Charge (over 10) 3.80 4.00 per mile

Locking system

Materials plus labor - per hour 43.82 46.17 per hour

"Check only" service

(price per container and per check) $\frac{13.13}{13.83}$

Return trip charge (per container) 35.08 36.96

Box Liner fee (per collection) 63.38 66.77

For organics and/or yard debris collection drop box service – the noted organics trucking fee applies in place of the regular trucking fee; however, the same rates apply to these streams as for all other regular drop box related services, and disposal will be charged at current organics and/or yard debris tip fees.

Late Fee: 1.5 percent of balance outstanding at 30 days past due date.

Section 5. VMC 6.12.212, adopted by Ordinance M-2665 and last amended by Ordinance M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.212 Other rates.

The following table lists garbage rates for types of pickup other than those set out in VMC 6.12.208 through 6.12.211:

Bulky item pickup:	2023 <u>2024</u>	
Stove	19.25 <u>20.28</u>	each
Washing machine	21.05 <u>22.18</u>	each
Dryer	17.43 <u>18.36</u>	each
Water heater	21.40 <u>22.55</u>	each
Refrigerator, freezer	34.81 <u>36.67</u>	each
Sofa	17.43 <u>18.36</u>	each
Chair	13.91 <u>14.66</u>	each
Mattress or box spring	15.76 <u>16.60</u>	each
Tires		
Auto/light pickup	8.29 <u>8.73</u>	each
with rim	12.83 <u>13.52</u>	each
Bus/heavy truck	25.99 <u>27.38</u>	each
with rim	42.89 <u>45.19</u>	each
Other bulky items	18.3 4 <u>19.32</u>	each

Note: the above rates are for pre-scheduled curbside pick-up at residential locations; however, they also may be applied to commercial and multifamily site pickups. For commercial and multifamily collections additional fees, detailed in VMC 6.12.210, may apply for requested special services that differ from the standard pre-scheduled curbside bulky item pickup.

Hourly equipment rental:

Sideloaded compactor truck 116.62 122.87 per hour

Rolloff truck/front load compactor 120.11 126.54 per hour

Truck

Extra labor $\frac{53.18}{56.03}$ per hour

Overtime rate Extra labor rate x 1.5

Section 6. VMC 6.12.213, adopted by Ordinance M-3069 and last amended by Ordinance M-4381, is amended as follows:

6.12.213 Residential recycling fees.

The following fees shall be charged for recycling program costs within the city of Vancouver:

1. Curbside Recycling

- a. For each dwelling unit in a structure containing from one to four residential dwelling units, $$2.97 \times 3.89$ per month.
- b. For each dwelling unit in a structure containing from one to four residential dwelling units, the contractor may invoice a recyclables processing surcharge of \$0.87 \(\frac{1.41}{2.41}\) per month.

2. Multi-family Recycling

a. Five or more residential dwelling units on a consolidated solid waste collection bill, \$1.49 \$1.57 per month per unit.

b. For each dwelling unit in a structure containing five or more residential dwelling units, the contractor may invoice a recyclables processing surcharge of $\$0.42 \ 0.65$ per unit per month.

The following optional fees shall be charged to those residents or businesses_who voluntarily subscribe for service:

Organics Collection Service

Residential Subscription Options:	2023 <u>2024</u>	
Basic subscription, with 96-gallon cart	\$8.81 9.28 per month	
Basic subscription, with 64-gallon cart	7.62 8.03 per month	
Basic subscription, with 32-gallon cart	6.44 6.78 per month	
Basic subscription, with 20-gallon cart	5.25 5.53 per month	
Commercial / Multifamily Subscription Options:		
Every Other Week subscription, with 64-gallon cart	\$9.80 <u>10.32</u> per month	
Weekly subscription, with 64-gallon cart	19.60 20.65 per month	
Special / Optional Organics Services:		
Additional 32-gallon equivalent		
(or portion thereof, per volume)	4.03 <u>4.24</u> per pickup	
Service restart fee,	11.99 <u>12.63</u>	
within one year of last service		
Optional extra cart rental	1.99 2.10 per month	

Cart replacement fee At cost

Cart delivery fee, initial 0.00

Cart delivery fee, subsequent (including cart swap request) 16.00 16.86

Late fee: 1.5 percent of balance outstanding at 30 days

Vacation allowances in conjunction with garbage service vacations only.

Note: For commercial and multifamily sites participating in organics collection service, the above subscription rates and special / optional Services fees apply so long as the customer is responsible for placing the cart(s) curbside or designated servicing location for the scheduled collection day(s). If the cart(s) at these sites is not placed at the curb on collection day(s) and/or if other special services are requested for these sites, then the special services fees detailed in VMC 6.12.210 may be added as additional charges for each collection. Depending on location specific challenges, organics collection service may not be offered at all multifamily or commercial sites.

Section 7. Savings. Those ordinances or parts of ordinances which are amended by this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect until the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 8. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such order or judgment shall be confined in its operation to the controversy in which it was rendered and shall not effect or invalidate the remainder of any parts thereof to any person or circumstances and to this end the provisions of each clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this law are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 9. Effective date. This ordinance shall become effective as of January 1, 2024, following the date of final adoption.

SIGNED this 6th day of November, 2023.

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

Attest Pocusigned by: Vataslia Kamras

Natasha Ramras, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Jonathan Young, City Attorney

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The full text of this ordinance will be mailed upon request. Contact Raelyn McJilton, Records Officer at 360-487-8711, or via www.cityofvancouver.us (Go to City Government and Public Records).