

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 59, SERIES 2025 – A RESOLUTION
ESTABLISHING REFUSE, RECYCLABLES AND COMPOSTABLES
COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FEES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1,
2025 FOR THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, COLORADO

DATE: AUGUST 19, 2025

PREPARED BY: KURT KOWAR, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

PRESENTED BY: KURT KOWAR, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SUMMARY:

Staff recommends City Council pass Resolution No. 59, Series 2025, for approval of a 1.44% increase to trash, recycling, and composting rates billed to residents by the City and then paid to Republic Services in accordance with the terms of their current contract with the City.

The City awarded a 5-year annually renewable residential single hauler solid waste contract to Republic Services on June 18, 2024. The contract provides for adjustment of pricing each year by the Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers, Water and Sewer Trash Index (WST).

For the average rolling 12 month period from May 2024 to May 2025 the calculated index increase is 4.83% to be applied to collection related costs.

Additionally, during contract negotiations for electric vehicle (EV) premiums, the City negotiated vehicle utilization capacity into the contract. Louisville's routes require 4 trucks, 4 days per week to provide it's curbside trash, recycling, and compost services. Louisville is charged \$1.31 per EV truck per month. At any point in time that Republic Services contracted surplus EV utilization capacity the City would recognize a price reduction. The Town of Superior elected to contract with Republic Services for services utilizing EV collection vehicles. On April 1, 2025, per contract terms, the City's EV premium was reduced from \$1.31 per EV truck per month to \$1.21 per EV truck per month. The City also pays \$0.03 per truck per month or \$0.12 per month total for purchase of renewable energy to ensure the EV trucks are charged by 100% renewable energy.

Customers have been receiving the EV premium reduction via pass through billing from Republic since April 1, 2025.

The net increase for the base 35 gallon service in the 2025/2026 contract year incorporating the WST increase and EV premium reduction is 1.44%.

Based upon the contract terms the following table represents current 2024/2025 Republic Services rates versus proposed 2025/2026 rates:

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Refuse with Recycling & Compost Included	September 1, 2024	September 1, 2025
Electric Vehicle Premium (April 1, 2025 Change)	\$ 5.36	\$ 4.96
35 Gallon	\$ 15.20	\$ 15.93
65 Gallon	\$ 30.40	\$ 31.87
95 Gallon	\$ 45.60	\$ 47.80
Addl 35g Increment past 95g service (1 - \$15.20 to Customer)	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.24
Addl 35g Increment Recycle/Compost past 96g service	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.67
Weekly Recycle or Compost Surcharge	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.39
Other Services		
35 Gallon Prepaid Sticker (4)	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.93
Drive In Service	\$ 10.50	\$ 11.01
Cart Roll Out Service	\$ 10.50	\$ 11.01
Cart Size Change After 3rd of Year	\$ 17.50	\$ 17.82
\$2.35 Administrative Fee, \$0.70 Hazmat Fee (2)	\$ 3.05	\$ 3.05
Minimum Monthly Charge (3)	\$ 22.91	\$ 23.24

Notes:

- (1) City Charges Base 35g Rate per 32g Increment (\$13.92)
- (2) Set Separately by City
- (3) EV, 35g Trash, \$2.35 Admin
- (4) Will charge \$4.00 to Customer at Counter

In addition, the attached resolution carries forward the 70 cents per month hazardous materials management facility fee for services and expenditures related to the Boulder County Hazardous Materials Management Facility Intergovernmental Agreement and which fee was previously set by City Council resolution.

BACKGROUND / PRIOR DISCUSSIONS:**DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL:**

N/A

ANALYSIS:**2025 COUNCIL WORK PLAN:**

Core Service – to enable residents to dispose of their solid waste in a convenient, environmentally responsible, cost effective manner.

FISCAL IMPACT:**Budgeted?: Not Applicable**

There is approximately a net zero fiscal impact to the City for this approval. Republic Services charges the City. The City charges residential customers on the Utility Bill. There are minor miscellaneous and delinquent charges that the Solid Waste Fund absorbs.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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ALTERNATIVE(S):

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council pass Resolution No. 59, Series 2025, A Resolution Establishing Refuse, Recyclables and Compostables Collection and Disposal Fees Effective September 1, 2025 for the City of Louisville, Colorado.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Resolution No. 59, Series 2025
2. 2025 Republic Services Contract Adjustment Request / Proposal

**RESOLUTION NO. 59
SERIES 2025**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING REFUSE, RECYCLABLES AND COMPOSTABLES
COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FEES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 FOR THE
CITY OF LOUISVILLE, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the City of Louisville Charter, the City of Louisville Municipal Code and state law, the City is authorized to fix, establish, impose, maintain and provide for the collection of rates, fees and charges for refuse, recyclables and compostables utility services furnished by the City; and

WHEREAS, the current rates, fees and charges for such services were established by the Republic Services 5-year Contract approved June 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council by this resolution desires to revise the various rates, fees and charges for refuse, recyclables and compostables utility services furnished by the City, effective September 1, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, COLORADO:

SECTION 1. For refuse, recycling, and compost collection and disposal, the following rates, fees and charges shall apply and be charged effective September 1, 2025:

Container Size	Rate
35 Gallon	\$20.89/month
65 Gallon	\$41.78/month
95 Gallon	\$62.67/month
Extra Refuse Bin per 30 Gallon Increment	\$15.93/month
Extra Recycle Bin per 30 Gallon Increment	\$3.67/month
Extra Compost Bin per 30 Gallon Increment	\$3.67/month

Each account subject to refuse collection and disposal service shall be entitled to recycling service and compost service at no additional charge for up to 95-gallon container. Upon having 95-gallon container of refuse, recycle, or compost collected, additional charges shall apply for extra collection based upon 30-gallon increment apply.

SECTION 2. For other services provided by the City, the following rates, fees and charges shall apply and be charged effective September 1, 2025:

Service	Fee
32 Gallon Prepaid Sticker	\$4.00/each
End of Month Service Changes	No Charge
Mid-Month Service Changes or Prorations	Included
Drive In Service	\$11.01/month*
Cart Roll Out Service	\$11.01/month*
First Large Item Pickup Per Quarter	No Charge**
Cart Change Fee (Up to 3 Free per year)	\$17.82 each

*Any residents who need this service due to a disability will receive this service at no charge.

**Excludes Freon-containing appliances and hazardous waste.

SECTION 3. A \$2.35 per month administrative fee shall be added to each account subject to Ordinance No. 1545.

SECTION 4. Residences that do not use City service and that are not excluded from City service as set forth in Section 8.64.070 of the Louisville Municipal Code shall be charged a minimum monthly charge of \$23.24, effective September 1, 2025.

SECTION 5. A 70 cent per month hazardous materials management facility fee shall be added to the bill for City water service for each dwelling unit and single-family home for services and expenditures related to the Boulder County Hazardous Materials Management Facility Intergovernmental Agreement.

SECTION 6. Rates, fees and charges hereunder shall be billed in conjunction with the bill for City water service. For residences that do not have a water billing account, there shall be established an account for billings hereunder.

SECTION 7. Should it be necessary to set fees for special services not covered by the rates and fees established in Sections 1, 2 and 3, the Public Works Director is authorized to set such fees needed to cover the actual cost of providing such services.

SECTION 8. Resolution No. 67, Series 2021, Residential Refuse and Recycling is hereby repealed effective September 1, 2025. Such repeal shall not release, extinguish, alter, modify, or change in whole or in part any penalty, forfeiture, or liability, either civil or criminal, which shall have been incurred under the provisions of such resolution, and such provisions shall be treated and held as still remaining in force for the purpose of sustaining

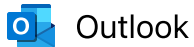
any and all proper actions, suits, proceedings, and prosecutions for the enforcement of the penalty, forfeiture, or liability, as well as for the purpose of sustaining any judgment, decree, or order which can or may be rendered, entered, or made in such actions, suits, proceedings, or prosecutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Christopher M. Leh, Mayor

ATTEST:

Genny Kline, Interim City Clerk



EV Premium Reduction in Price

From Petrovich, Mark <MPetrovich@republicservices.com>

Date Fri 2/14/2025 7:14 AM

To Kurt Kowar <kurtk@Louisvilleco.gov>

Cc Gilmore, Steve <SGilmore@republicservices.com>

Hello Kurt,

Nice seeing you again yesterday and what a pleasant surprise to see Sarah there as well. As we discussed, we will be using the Louisville EV vehicles in Superior on Monday's when they are not in service in Louisville. However, the Rear Load EV in Louisville will be working in Louisville on Monday as we divided up the alley routes on Wednesday's into two collection days, Monday and Wednesday. We did that so we could be 100% EV in Louisville and not have to use an RNG Rear Load to complete the work all in one day. Superior will be using three (3) EV Automated Side Load vehicles to service their city. Based on the final house count we may have to add a 4th truck on Monday in Superior but that would have to be a RNG truck as we don't have another EV vehicle available that day. The reduction in pricing is listed below.

- Current rate of \$1.31 per truck per month (\$5.24 + \$0.12 carbon offset = 5.36)
- New rate of \$1.21 per truck per month (\$4.84 + \$0.12 carbon offset = \$4.96)

The Town of Superior contract and will begin April 1st, 2025. The reduction in pricing will begin April 1.

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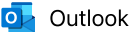
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City of Louisville Price Increase Calculation

From Gilmore, Steve <SGilmore@republicservices.com>
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1 attachment (43 KB)
Louisville Rate Increase September 1 2025.pdf;

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Kurt,

Republic Services is sending notification of the upcoming price increase that will go into effect September 1, 2025, with a rate increase of 4.83%. This rate increase does not impact your EV rates, and Jamie Von Steeg will be providing you the price increases on the commercial side of your contract.

Currently, the 12-month running average for Water/Sewer/Trash based off the Bureau of Labor Statistics is 4.83% through May, the most current data available.

2025 CPI Actual												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Monthly	4.43%	4.88%	4.93%	4.88%	5.20%	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!
Rolling 12 Month Avg	4.89%	4.86%	4.83%	4.79%	4.83%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

Please see the attached document for rates effective September 1, 2025.

Republic Services is committed to the long-term viability of your program and appreciates the partnership we have developed with the City of Louisville and the ongoing business relationship.

Please reach out with any questions that you might have.

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City of Louisville Rates
Price Increase 4.83%

Republic Charges	Current	Increase	New rate	City Charges including Admin and EV Charge		Website
EV	\$4.96		\$4.96	Trash	Charge	New rate
	Current rate	Increase	New rate	35-gallon	\$22.51	\$23.24
35-gallon	\$15.20	\$0.73	\$15.93	65-gallon	\$38.11	\$39.18
65-gallon	\$30.40	\$1.47	\$31.87	95-gallon	\$53.51	\$55.11
95-gallon	\$45.60	\$2.20	\$47.80			

Additional Trash	Current Charge	Increase	New rate	Additional Trash	Charge	New Rate	
35-gallon	\$15.20	\$0.73	\$15.93	35-gallon	\$15.20	\$15.93	
65-gallon	\$30.40	\$1.47	\$31.87	65-gallon	\$30.40	\$31.87	
95-gallon	\$45.60	\$2.20	\$47.80	95-gallon	\$45.60	\$47.80	
				Extra Container Rec/Compost	Charge	Increase	New Rate
Weekly Recycle/ Compost	Charge	Increase	New rate	35-gallon	\$3.50	\$0.17	\$3.67
Billed Quarterly	\$8.00 per month	\$0.39	\$8.39	65-gallon	\$7.00	\$0.34	\$7.34
to resident				95-gallon	\$10.00	\$0.48	\$10.48

Trash Tags	Increase	New rate
\$3.75	\$0.18	\$3.93

	Current Charge	Increase	New Rate
Carry out	\$10.50	\$0.51	\$11.01