

ORDINANCE NO. 29031

AN ORDINANCE relating to solid waste; amending Chapter 12.09 of the Municipal Code, relating to Solid Waste, Recycling, and Hazardous Waste by amending Section 12.09.120, entitled "Commercial Services", to increase the fee for commercial Call-2-Haul pick up from \$75 to \$115 to more closely reflect the cost of service, effective June 1, 2025.

WHEREAS in 2014, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 28262, which amended Tacoma Municipal Code ("TMC") Section 12.09.120, entitled Commercial Services, to add the opportunity for commercial customers to participate in the Call-2-Haul ("C2H") program for \$75.00 per pick up, and

WHEREAS in the 2025-2026 biennial budget, the City Council approved a pilot education and outreach pilot program aimed at gaining a better understanding of the bulky item removal needs of multifamily residents, and

WHEREAS over the next two years, Solid Waste Management ("SWM") will collaborate with residents and property managers to assess those needs and evaluate potential solutions, and

WHEREAS based on the information gathered, SWM will propose a recommendation to the City Council regarding the multifamily C2H program, and

WHEREAS currently, the SWM rate structures categorize customers into two classes: residential (up to two units), and commercial (all other properties such as stores and multifamily buildings), and

WHEREAS residential customers pay a bundled rate that includes garbage, recycling, yard waste, and two C2H pickups annually, and in contrast, commercial customers are charged an à la carte rate, providing them with flexible service options that better reflect their specific needs and usage levels, and



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WHEREAS the proposed fee increase will more closely reflect the costs of these services to commercial customers; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby adopts the Recitals of this Ordinance as its formal legislative findings.

Section 2. That Chapter 12.09 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, relating to Solid Waste, Recycling, and Hazardous Waste, is hereby amended by amending Section 12.09.120, entitled "Commercial Services", to increase the fee for commercial Call-2-Haul pick up from \$75.00 to \$115.00, to allow Solid Waste Management to charge a rate that more closely reflects the cost of service, effective June 1, 2025, as more fully set forth in the attached Exhibit "A."



Passed _____

 Section 3. That the City Clerk, in consultation with the City Attorney, is authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance or Exhibit A, including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any references thereto.

	Mayor	
Attest:		
City Clerk		
Approved as to form:		
Deputy City Attorney		



EXHIBIT "A"

CHAPTER 12.09 SOLID WASTE, RECYCLING, AND HAZARDOUS WASTE

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12.09.120 Commercial services.

Solid Waste Management reserves the right to establish the appropriate level of service. No single unit of a multibusiness complex or building may receive individual container service of less than one cubic yard in capacity unless the subject unit is directly billed by the City for payment of all other public utilities servicing that unit, including electricity, water, surface water, and wastewater. Minimum monthly service for City-owned containers shall be one pickup per week, per month, per container, with the exception of drop-off boxes and compactors. Commercial rates for collection of solid waste shall be as follows:

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W. City of Tacoma Solid Waste Commercial customers may request "Call-2-Haul" service appointments. No more than three large items, consisting of appliances, furniture, or items of a similar size and weight, and 15 bags or boxes of unusable household items will be picked up by Solid Waste Management at each Call-2-Haul service appointment. A charge of \$75.00115.00 will be charged for each commercial Call-2-Haul. A charge of \$10.00 may be assessed for late cancellations or if items are not set out by 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled date.

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