

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: How can it square with Proposition 218's principle that the charge for a service be commensurate with its cost if you propose to set this fee for my 1-person household in a multi-family dwelling to be equal to, e.g., a 4-person single-family dwelling? The latter almost certainly generates more solid waste, and these charges don't seem to be related to (for example) the amount of waste any household generates. I may fill a 60-gallon bin once a month; I doubt it takes a 4-person single-family dwelling that long to do so.

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Name: Kate
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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly oppose the proposed sanitation fee increase as it applies to renters in multi-unit buildings. Currently, renters in apartments already pay significantly more per building than single-family homes for the same service, despite using fewer resources and generating less waste. For example: A single-family home pays \$36.32/month for service, typically requiring one stop for three full bins (black, blue, green). An 8-unit apartment building currently pays \$194.64/month ($8 \times \24.33), even though the entire building may only set out 2–3 black bins and 1 blue bin for collection at one stop. This is already more efficient for LASAN (fewer stops, shorter routes, less fuel, and fewer bins to service), yet renters pay many times the rate of a single-family household. The proposed increase from \$24.33 to \$65.93 per unit per month would push an 8-unit building's bill to \$527.44/month for a single stop, more than 14 times the cost of servicing a single-family home, even though renters in studios and one-bedroom apartments typically produce less trash per household. This policy is inequitable. Renters, who often have lower incomes and smaller living spaces, should not be burdened with disproportionate increases when they are already paying far more for the same service. I urge the Council to: Exclude multi-unit renters from this rate increase; or Adopt a fairer structure that reflects the actual volume of waste collected and the efficiency of servicing apartment buildings compared to single-family homes. Please do not approve a rate increase that unfairly punishes renters while benefiting single-family households.

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Name: Gil

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Comments for Public Posting: To home it may concern, I strongly oppose the proposed rate increases and especially the percentage increase due all at once in the first of yearly increases. While I understand that the rates have been locked in for several years at this point, I do not understand why it is necessary to raise the rates by over 50% in one fell swoop. Assuming that a rate increase must happen, the per year percentage increase must be much more reasonable and spread out.