

Communication from Public

Name: Silver Lake Resident
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Comments for Public Posting: This drastic rate increase will hurt residents and exacerbates a regressive fee structure that impacts the lowest income households the most. It's absurd that each unit in a duplex or multi-family structure pays the same amount as a single-family home. Not only do single family homes generate more waste, those low-density neighborhoods require more truck travel and more stops than areas of denser housing. Rates should be designed to encourage residents to generate less waste, and if this proposed rate goes through it will be a failed opportunity to consider alternative fee structures or other waste-reduction efforts. Instead of nearly doubling rates on every household, the city could reduce collection frequency or use smaller bins. Many households do not come close to filling the current bins every week, but they are still charged a full amount. Simply increasing fees does nothing to encourage less wasteful behavior, and may even encourage more waste. If people were given some option to mitigate the rate increase by opting for reduced services it would incentivize better household waste behavior. The department should also be considering more creative solutions, such as the underground container systems in use in Europe, or developing weight measurement systems to measure and charge for actual waste amounts in a bin during collection. Continuing unit-to-unit weekly collection will forever result in rate increases and does nothing to improve service or change household behaviors. It is simply not sustainable. I urge the city to take a step back from this fee increase and develop a more strategic and creative plan that does not unfairly burden those households who are keeping their waste minimized, and instead have a plan that encourages similar behavior in other households.

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Comments for Public Posting: As Angelenos, we cannot tolerate a rise in Sanitation prices. We are already struggling to pay rent. Minimum rent is far above minimum wage. It should not be the burden of taxpayers who already pay a ton to a city that doesn't know how to prioritize, to a city that allows the homelessness issue to get worse due to rising costs across the board. You can't even fix a pothole-ridden street! Why should we be obligated to pay more for a service when we already pay more than most cities? This is unfair and unjust. Do not raise the sanitation rates.