



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Agenda Date**

December 10, 2024

**Requested Action**

APPROVE ON ONE-TIME READING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-25; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2003-02, CAPTIONED "CITY OF BOERNE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FRANCHISE AGREEMENT" AND ENACTING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE SECOND AMENDED MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT.

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**Background Information**

In June 2024, Waste Management (WM) notified staff of their intent to renegotiate and amend the current Municipal Solid Waste Agreement, which was approved in May 2019 (Attachment A). Staff opted to work directly with WM rather than pursuing other providers due to:

- WM's consistent, high-quality service and collaborative relationship with the City.
- A 30-year partnership between the City and WM.
- Positive public feedback, with Garbage Collection receiving a 91% "Good" or "Excellent/Very Good" rating in the 2021 Citizen Survey and a 96% "Ok/Good/Very Good" rating in 2023.

Proposed Changes:

- WM has proposed rate increases for both residential and commercial customers, citing rising material and operational costs due to COVID-19 and inflation. The new rates are competitive with those of other municipalities and maintain Boerne's high level of service (Attachment B).

Enhancements to Service:

After the Council's November 12 discussion, staff worked with WM to address concerns, resulting in the following negotiated improvements:

1. Same-Day Service:
  - All customers will receive garbage and recycling collection on the same day.
  - WM will purchase an additional truck to support this, increasing monthly costs by only \$1.
2. Senior Discount:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Seniors 65 and older can apply for a 10% base rate discount on trash service.</li> </ul> <p>Staff will present the proposed amendments to the Council for discussion and consideration.</p>
<b>Item Justification</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legal/Regulatory Obligation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure Investment <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Pull <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Service Enhancement <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigate Risk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process Efficiency <input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan Recommendation <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<b>Strategic Alignment</b>	<p>Safety &amp; Security  C1: Offering quality customer experiences.  C3: Collaborating with community partners to enhance quality of life.  F1: Committing to strategic, responsible, and conservative financial management.  B3: Providing streamlined and efficient processes.</p>
<b>Financial Considerations</b>	<p>The financial impact of the changes, including rate adjustments, aligns with market standards and maintains cost-effectiveness for customers.</p>
<b>Citizen Input/Board Review</b>	<p>N/A</p>
<b>Legal Review</b>	<p>Legal has reviewed and approved this amendment</p>
<b>Alternative Options</b>	<p>N/A</p>
<b>Supporting Documents</b>	<p>Ordinance No. 2024-25  Attachment A – 2019 WM Contract  Attachment B – Rate Comparison before and after Amendment  Attachment C – 2024 Proposed WM Contract Amendment</p>