

**MEMORANDUM  
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES  
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **MARCH 24, 2009**

From: *JD* **JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON** *(Signature)*

Subject: **GARBAGE COLLECTION FRANCHISE FEE REDUCTION  
FRANCHISE AREAS 2 AND 3**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt the attached Ordinance amending Section 8.16.470 of the Placer County Code to reduce the Franchise Fee in Garbage Collection Franchise Areas 2 and 3 (eastern Placer County) from 5% to 4%, effective July 1, 2009.

**BACKGROUND:** Section 8.16.470 of the County Code establishes Franchise Fees that are used to fund the County's solid waste management program. The solid waste management program provides for the ongoing monitoring and maintenance of closed landfill facilities and for the administration of garbage collection services throughout the County. It also provides for education and outreach programs, special waste collection events, and roadside litter collection.

Franchise Areas 2 and 3 cover that portion of the County east of Colfax up to and including Kings Beach and Tahoe City. Staff has determined that the Franchise Fee for these Areas can be reduced from 5% to 4% while still maintaining adequate funding to operate, monitor and maintain the existing solid waste facilities with a reasonable contingency for unexpected occurrences.

If your Board approves the ordinance, staff will return to your Board with revised garbage collection rates for the Franchise Areas that reflect the lower Franchise Fee.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:** Reducing the Franchise Fee is not considered a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act; therefore, environmental review is not required.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Reducing the Franchise Fee by 1% for Franchise Areas 2 and 3 will reduce revenue to the Solid Waste Management Enterprise Fund by approximately \$70,000 per year. This will bring annual revenues and costs into closer alignment, while providing a reasonable contingency for unexpected costs.

JD/WD/KMZ

ATTACHMENT: ORDINANCE

CC: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Before the Board of Supervisors  
County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING  
SECTION 8.16.470 OF THE PLACER COUNTY  
CODE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE COLLECTION  
AND DISPOSAL

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_  
First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

The following ORDINANCE was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of said Board

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** Section 8.16.470 B. of Article 8.16 of Chapter 8 of the Placer County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 8.16.470 Special Fees**

B. ~~In Franchise Areas 2 and 3 each customer shall pay a fee surcharge for the county solid waste program in an additional amount of five percent of the billing he or she receives from the franchisee.~~ **Each customer in Franchise Areas 2 and 3 shall pay a fee surcharge for the County solid waste program in an additional amount of four percent of the billing he or she receives from the franchisee.**

**Section 2:** The foregoing specified ordinance amendment shall become effective on July 1, 2009. Existing Section 8.16.470 B. of Article 8.16 of Chapter 8 of the Placer County Code shall remain in effect through June 30, 2009.