

WORKING TO DELIVER A CLEAN, SAFE, & SUSTAINABLE SANTA MONICA



FIVE-YEAR SOLID WASTE RATE STUDY

2023-2028

PUBLIC HEARING AND RATE ADOPTION





PURPOSE OF TONIGHT'S MEETING

A. Hold a Public Hearing

B. Adopt 2023-2028
Solid Waste Rates



RESOURCE RECOVERY & RECYCLING (RRR)



CLEAN, SAFE, AND SUSTAINABLE SANTA MONICA



93,000+

Residents and visitors served seven days a week



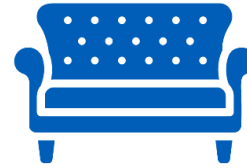
1,000+

Residents and visitors served by **one** RRR essential worker



176 million

Pounds of organics, recyclables, and landfill trash collected last fiscal year



180

Daily 311 bulky item and illegal dumping requests



13

Year-round community recycling events



1.1

Zero Waste Goal for pounds per day per person of landfilled trash by 2030

2.28.2023 STUDY SESSION RECAP

Option	Proposed Annual Rate Increase	Additional Staffing Level	Anticipated Outcome
One – Enhanced Clean and Safe Services (RECOMMENDED)	11%	15.12 FTE	Enhanced illegal dumping collection Proactive weekly alley cleanups Quarterly community cleanups
Two – Right-Size Basic Services	10.2%	8.12 FTE	Right-size existing basic services NO enhanced illegal dumping collection NO quarterly community cleanup program
Alternative (NOT RECOMMENDED)	9%	0 FTE	Staffing shortages persist Missed or delayed collections continue City’s cleanliness degrades
Alternative (NOT RECOMMENDED)	0%	0 FTE	RRR Fund depletes all funds in FY 2024-25 Unable to continue providing services

NEW RATES ALLOW SANTA MONICA TO:



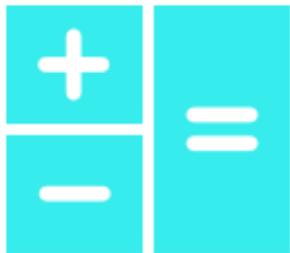
Hire additional sanitation workers to meet community needs and new recycling requirements



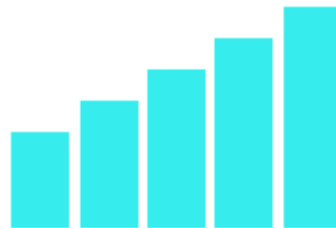
Comply with California's NEW mandatory organics recycling law; buy and service more green bins



Proactively clean up alleys and collect abandoned bulky items on a weekly basis



Modernize and simplify rate structure



Build fund reserves following three-year rate freeze during COVID-19

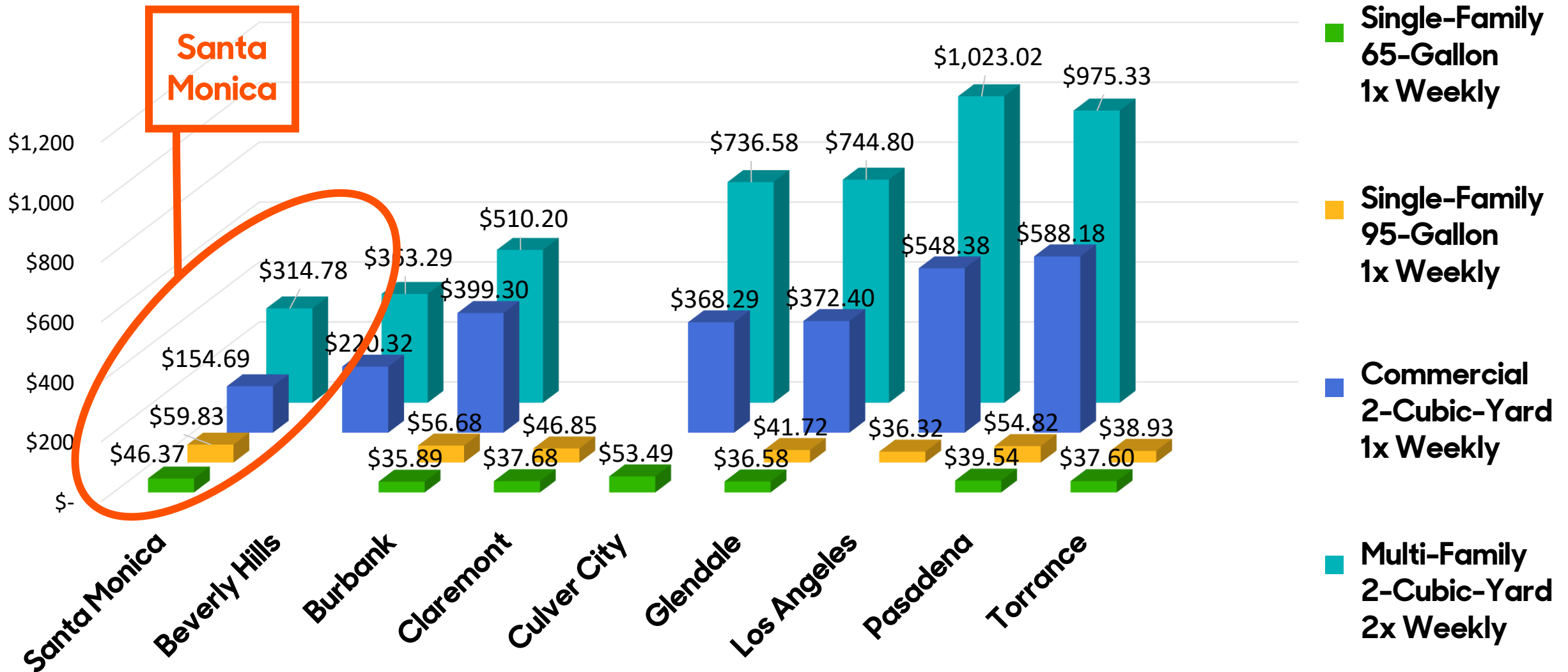


Create NEW volunteer-driven Community Cleanup Program

PROPOSED RATES OF TYPICAL SERVICES

Customer Type	Current	Proposed 8.1.2023	Proposed 7.1.2024	Proposed 7.1.2025	Proposed 7.1.2026	Proposed 7.1.2027
Single-Family						
One 65-gallon 1x per week collection	\$83.55	\$92.74	\$102.94	\$114.26	\$126.83	\$140.78
One 95-gallon 1x per week collection	\$107.79	\$119.65	\$132.81	\$147.42	\$163.64	\$181.64
Multi-Family						
Four-unit apartment with two 95-gallon 1x per week collection	\$198.56	\$239.30	\$265.62	\$294.84	\$327.28	\$363.28
Ten-unit apartment with one 300- gallon 2x per week collection	\$445.16	\$550.00	\$610.50	\$677.66	\$752.20	\$834.94
Commercial						
One 2-cubic-yard 1x/week collection with 0.75-inch water meter	\$262.67	\$309.38	\$344.01	\$382.45	\$425.11	\$472.46
One 3-cubic-yard 3x/week collection with 3-inch water meter	\$1,060.22	\$1,411.11	\$1,566.96	\$1,739.94	\$1,931.91	\$2,144.97

RATE COMPARISONS BY JURISDICTION



NEW AND IMPROVED

PROGRAMS FUNDED BY NEW RATES

IMPROVED: BULKY ITEM ILLEGAL DUMPING (BIID) RESPONSE TEAM

- One of the most requested 311 services in the City
- New proposed rates would allow RRR to hire more workers and expand the BIID team
- **Intended Outcomes:**
 - ✓ Cleaner, greener city
 - ✓ Less strain on 311 system





NEW: COMMUNITY CLEANUP PROGRAM

- **Make a difference in your own neighborhood!**
- **Supplies and hauling provided**
- **Intended Outcomes:**
 - ✓ **Volunteerism**
 - ✓ **Community-building**

NEW: SOLID WASTE RATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- **City has 444 California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) customers**
- **64% of CARE customers: single-family and smaller multi-family**
- **PROPOSED:**
 - **CARE customers would qualify for water and solid waste rate discounts**
 - **Water discount: \$1 per hundred cubic feet in Tier 1 rate**
 - **Solid waste discount: 10% discount**

RATE STUDY PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Neighborhood group community meetings
- Chamber, SMTT, SMPC, and BID meetings
- Commission on Sustainability, Environmental Justice, and the Environment meetings
- Santa Monica Daily Press
- Prop 218 public notice mailed to every home and business
- SaMoNews e-newsletter
- Buy Local e-newsletter
- santamonica.gov/solid-waste-rates
- swrates@santamonica.gov



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