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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 13, DIVISION IV, CHAPTER 62 OF THE LARAMIE  
MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE SOLID WASTE FEES IN THE CITY OF LARAMIE

TITLE 13, DIVISION IV, CHAPTER 62,  
SOLID WASTE FEES

SECTION 4

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13.IV.62.010 Collection Fees – Households -- Generally

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

- A. “Construction and demolition (c&d) debris” is debris that results from the construction, renovation and/or demolition of buildings, roads, bridges, fences or other structures. It includes (but is not limited to) brick, concrete, asphalt material, drywall, flooring, pipe, lumber, roofing, soil and rocks.
- B. “Container” refers to any disposable bag, box, or similar item into which refuse is placed prior to being placed within a receptacle.
- C. “Garbage” means and includes all kitchen refuse, rejected or waste food, meats, fish, fowl, offal, carrion or other refuse accumulation, use, cooking of or the dealing in or storing of meats, fish, fowl, fruits, vegetables or anything whatsoever which will or may decompose and become foul, offensive, insanitary or dangerous to health.
- D. “Receptacle” means any non-disposable container used for the purpose of containing refuse.
- E. “Refuse” means and includes all hay, straw, shavings, excelsior, paper, ashes, rubbish, containers, boxes, glass, cans, bottles and the residue from the burning or other destruction of all combustible material whatsoever, and all other material commonly known as rubbish or refuse of whatever kind or character or by whatever name known, except as excluded by this chapter.

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F. "Kitchen Unit" - the main function of a kitchen unit serves as a location for storing, cooking and preparing food. A residential kitchen unit is typically equipped with a cooking appliance, a sink with running water, a refrigerator, counters and cabinets.

#### 13.IV.62.020 Collection Fees – Households -- Basic Receptacles

A. Except in cases where contracts have been entered into with licensed haulers as provided in Section 8.16.110, all households utilizing automated collection within the city shall be charged the following fees for the supervision and regular once-per-week pickup of garbage and refuse, and bi-weekly pickup of curbside recyclables which shall be prorated on a weekly basis. (Ord. 522 § 1 (part), 1977: prior code § 15-9(a) (part)).

B. For all households utilizing automated collection, fees shall apply to once-per-week pickup

C. For automated refuse collection from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, the basic fee of nine dollars and 16 cents (\$9.16) per month shall be assessed for one city provided receptacle with a total capacity of ninety-six gallons, in addition to the landfill fees.

D. For automated refuse collection beginning January 1, 2018, the basic fee of nine dollars and 34 cents (\$9.34) per month shall be assessed for one city provided receptacle with a total capacity of ninety-six gallons, in addition to the landfill fees.

E. For curbside recycling from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, a fee of four dollars and 39 cents (\$4.39) per month shall be assessed for one receptacle.

F. For curbside recycling beginning January 1, 2018, a fee of four dollars and 48 cents (\$4.48) per month shall be assessed for one receptacle.

G. Automated trash and recycling containers must be placed a minimum of two feet from any object, i.e., vehicles, trailers, fences, poles, trees, other containers, etc., and be sure the area in front of the container (toward the street) is clear of obstructions. A Container Placement Fee of \$5.00 may be charged each time a driver must exit the vehicle to move a container so it may be safely dumped without striking a nearby object. The fee will not apply if a container is blown over by the wind or other act of nature.

#### 13.IV.62.030 Collection Fees—Households—Additional receptacles

A. For automated refuse collection from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, the sum of nine dollars and 16 cents (\$9.16) per month shall be assessed for each additional receptacle in addition to the landfill fees.

B. For automated refuse collection beginning January 1, 2018, the sum of nine dollars and 34 cents (\$9.34) per month shall be assessed for each additional receptacle in addition to the landfill fees.

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C. For curbside recycling from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, a fee of four dollars and 39 cents (\$4.39) per month shall be assessed for each additional receptacle.

D. For curbside recycling beginning January 1, 2018, a fee of four dollars and 48 cents (\$4.48) per month shall be assessed for each additional receptacle.

#### 13.IV.62.040 Collection Fees—Non-Single Kitchen Units or Businesses

Where there is more than one kitchen unit at one street address or in the same building, the owner must assume liability for the garbage fee for all the units. The fees for each city provided receptacle with a total capacity of ninety-six gallons shall be nine dollars and 16 cents (\$9.16) per month plus a separate landfill disposal fee for each kitchen unit as provided in 13.IV.62.070, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

Where there is more than one kitchen unit at one street address or in the same building, the owner must assume liability for the garbage fee for all the units. The fees for each city provided receptacle with a total capacity of ninety-six gallons shall be nine dollars and 34 cents (\$9.34) per month plus a separate landfill disposal fee for each kitchen unit as provided in 13.IV.62.070, beginning January 1, 2018.

At the request of the owner, the city may provide curbside recycling services to places of business, hotels, motels, schools, institutions, trailer courts and residences or apartments containing more than two kitchen units and the fee shall be \$4.39 per receptacle per month from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, and shall be \$4.48 per receptacle per month beginning January 1, 2018. Residences containing two or fewer kitchen units shall be required to utilize city refuse, collection, disposal and curbside recycling services.(Ord. 1518 § 3, 2007; Ord. 1490 § 3, 2006; Ord. 1464 § 3, 2005; Ord. 1391 § 3, 2002; Ord. 1364 § 3, 2001; Ord. 1319 § 3, 2000; Ord. 1068 § 2, 1992; Ord. 808 § 2, 1984; Ord. 753 § 4, 1983; Ord. 522 § 1 (part), 1977; prior code § 15-9(a)(3)).

#### 13.IV.62.050 Collection Fees—Petition for waiver

Upon petition accompanied by an affidavit to the extent that any individual does not have the financial capacity to pay the fees for collection of garbage and refuse as they are set forth in this chapter, the City Manager may in its sole discretion, adjust or completely waive the fees therein contained. (Ord. 522 § 1 (part), 1977; prior code § 15-9(d)).

#### 13.IV.62.060 Collection Rate Schedule for City-Provided Commercial Receptacles

A. The city will, upon request, provide receptacles for rental at the following monthly rates based upon receptacle size and frequency of collection as follows:

**MONTHLY COMMERCIAL COLLECTION RATES 2017  
TWO CUBIC YARDS AND LARGER**

RECEPTACLE SIZE	COLLECTIONS PER WEEK					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2 Cubic Yards	\$38.03	\$60.83	\$83.59	\$106.39	\$129.16	\$151.94
4 Cubic Yards	\$45.56	\$71.22	\$96.88	\$122.54	\$148.20	\$173.84
6 Cubic Yards	\$52.50	\$81.62	\$110.15	\$139.87	\$168.33	\$198.04

**MONTHLY COMMERCIAL COLLECTION RATES BEGINNING 2018  
TWO CUBIC YARDS AND LARGER**

RECEPTACLE SIZE	COLLECTIONS PER WEEK					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2 Cubic Yards	\$38.55	\$61.87	\$85.15	\$108.47	\$131.76	\$155.06
4 Cubic Yards	\$46.60	\$73.30	\$100.00	\$126.69	\$153.39	\$180.07
6 Cubic Yards	\$54.06	\$84.74	\$114.82	\$146.10	\$176.13	\$207.40

B. The above rates are based upon costs to the city for maintenance of receptacles, pickup, and hauling of garbage. (Ord. 1518 § 4, 2007; Ord. 1490 § 4, 2006; Ord. 1464 § 4, 2005; Ord. 1391 § 4, 2002; Ord. 1364 § 4, 2001; Ord. 1319 § 4, 2000; Ord. 1068 § 3, 1992; Ord. 808 § 3, 1984; Ord. 753 § 5, 1983; Ord. 522 § 1 (part), 1977; prior code § 15-9(b)).

**13.IV.62.070 Disposal Fees – Generally**

A. The following landfill fees will be charged to all in-city users:

1. The sum of seven dollars and 23 cents (\$7.23) per month, for up to ninety- six gallons capacity for a household unit containing one kitchen unit serving one family group, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017;
2. The sum of seven dollars and 82 cents (\$7.82) per month, for up to ninety- six gallons capacity for a household unit containing one kitchen unit serving one family group, beginning January 1, 2018;
3. Where there is more than one kitchen unit at one street address or in the same building, the owner must assume liability for the landfill fees for all the units, and the fee shall be seven dollars and 23 cents (\$7.23) per month for each kitchen unit from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017;
4. Where there is more than one kitchen unit at one street address or in the same building, the owner must assume liability for the landfill fees for all the units, and the fee shall be seven dollars and 82 cents (\$7.82) per month for each kitchen unit beginning January 1, 2018;
5. Places of business, hotels, motels, schools, and institutions in the city which have commercial refuse collection by the city shall be assessed disposal fees according to volume; payable per month:

**MONTHLY COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL RATES –2017  
TWO CUBIC YARD AND LARGER**

CONTAINER SIZE	COLLECTIONS PER WEEK					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2 Cubic Yards	\$30.51	\$61.01	\$91.54	\$122.04	\$152.56	\$183.06
4 Cubic Yards	\$61.02	\$122.03	\$183.06	\$244.09	\$305.11	\$366.13
6 Cubic Yards	\$91.61	\$183.06	\$274.60	\$366.13	\$457.67	\$549.20

**MONTHLY COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL RATES –BEGINNING 2018  
TWO CUBIC YARD AND LARGER**

CONTAINER SIZE	COLLECTIONS PER WEEK					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2 Cubic Yards	\$32.60	\$65.19	\$97.79	\$130.38	\$162.99	\$195.58
4 Cubic Yards	\$65.20	\$130.37	\$195.58	\$260.78	\$325.97	\$391.16
6 Cubic Yards	\$97.86	\$195.58	\$293.37	\$391.16	\$488.96	\$585.75

B. If a commercial customer requests an extra collection the charge shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per cubic yard.

C. The fee imposed by this subsection shall apply to all private businesses which haul material to the city landfill for profit; to all residents and nonresidents whose loads are accepted by the solid waste manager for disposal; to all governmental entities other than the city of Laramie; and, to all private businesses which haul material to the city landfill incidental to other goods or services which they provide (such as construction trades).

Each person or business who hauls any material to the city landfill for disposal, shall pay a fee of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per ton with a minimum charge of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per entry from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. All cash transactions at the landfill will be rounded to the nearest dollar (\$1.00).

Each person or business who hauls any material to the city landfill for disposal, shall pay a fee of sixty-three dollars (\$63.00) per ton with a minimum charge of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per entry beginning January 1, 2018. All cash transactions at the landfill will be rounded to the nearest dollar (\$1.00).

Compacted waste shall include any construction and demolition debris delivered to the landfill. Any person or business that fails, neglects, or refuses to pay the required fee shall be denied access to the landfill until the fee is paid.

If the scale at the Laramie Landfill is inoperable for any reason, the rate for each person or business shall be four dollars and 67 cents (\$4.67) per cubic yard for un-compacted waste and sixteen dollars and 33 cents (\$16.33) per cubic yard for compacted waste with a minimum charge of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per entry. All cash transactions at the landfill will be rounded to the nearest dollar (\$1.00).

D. The Solid Waste Manager or his designee shall impose a charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per ton with a ten dollar (\$10.00) minimum, if in his opinion the load is not adequately secured or

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contained to prevent the transported material from blowing or falling out of the vehicle. The fee established by this section is a charge to help with the cost of litter pickup and is not a criminal fine. (Ord. 1518 § 5, 2007; Ord. 1464 § 5, 2005; Ord. 1392 § 1, 2002; Ord. 1365 § 1, 2001; Ord. 1273 § 1, 1999; Ord. 1199 §§ 4, 5, 1996; Ord. 1068 § 4, 1992; Ord. 808 § 4, 1984; Ord. 753 § 6, 1983; Ord. 523 § 1, 1977; prior code § 15-24.1). (Ord. No. 1563, 8-4-2009)

E. The Solid Waste Manager or his designee may impose a charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per ton with a fifteen dollar (\$15.00) minimum for items that require Special Handling. Waste materials that require special handling or take extra care when handling include but are not limited to large and bulky items such as mobile homes, campers and trailers. Stumps and branches over eighteen inches in diameter and/or more than eight feet long may require special handling. Items that require special attention and/or immediate cover such as asbestos, petroleum contaminated soils and dead animals shall be considered Special Handling.

F. The Solid Waste Manager may designate up to two days per calendar year as Free Compost Days. Limitations on quantities, businesses and City or County will be set dependent on the supply of finished compost.

#### 13.IV.62.080 Tire Disposal Fees

A. In addition to all other charges provided by law, the following landfill fees will be charged to all users;

1. Automobile and light truck tires, four dollars (\$4.00) each.
2. Heavy truck and light industrial tires, ten dollars (\$10.00) each.
3. Heavy equipment tires, seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) each.
4. Mounted, solid or foam filled tires will double the fee.

B. Tire disposal fees shall be collected from the person who brings tires to the city landfill at the time the tires are brought to the landfill.

C. Tires shall be placed at a location designated by the City Manager or designee and not at any other location.

D. Any person who disposes of a tire or tires without paying the required fee at the time of disposal, or who places tires upon property owned or controlled by the city in a location not designated for tire disposal is guilty of a violation of this section and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in the general penalty section of this code.

#### 13.IV.62.090 Community Clean-up Days Fee Waiver

A. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized to waive such landfill fees for those events which are previously identified and approved by the office of the City Manager, and contribute to the overall cleanliness and appearance of the community including the following instances:

1. One day per year for all City and County residents. This day shall be coordinated with the Spring Time Community Clean-up Day.
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2. Any community clean-up activity wherein a group wishes to collect trash, litter, and other debris, at a specified time and date with prior authorization for waiver of fees upon delivery of the collected refuse to the City sanitary landfill.

B. No waiver of fees shall occur to the County residents for the items for which the City incurs a cost of disposal beyond the limit of reimbursement from the County.

C. Local groups may apply for approval of community service events by contacting the office of the City Manager and completing the appropriate form. All fees for trash collected within the City limits on public property shall be waived for the approved event.

#### 13.IV.62.100 Miscellaneous Charges

A. Disposal of refrigeration units - thirty dollars and no cents (\$30.00).

B. Disposal of dead animals – the per ton fee shall be the same as disposal with a fifteen dollar (\$15.00) minimum.

C. Collections – roll off service with 7 yard container: two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per load (includes delivery, pickup and disposal), containers held over fourteen days will be assessed an additional fee of five dollars (\$5.00) per day.

D. Short term/Special event polycart rental – five dollars (\$5.00) per cart/per dump and a twenty five dollar (\$25.00) delivery charge for up to 8 polycarts.

E. Business Electronic waste recycling –business rate is three hundred sixty dollars (\$360.00) per ton.

F. Finished compost – fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per cubic yard or twenty five dollars (\$25.00) per ton with a one dollar (\$1.00) minimum.


G. Single Stream Recycling Drop Off - the per ton fee shall be the same as disposal with a minimum charge of five dollars (\$5.00).

H. No charge to residents:

1. Wood mulch
2. Green waste for recycling
3. Metal for recycling
4. Household hazardous waste
5. Residential electronic waste recycling

This ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2017 after passage, approval and publication.

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of the City Council of the City of  
Laramie, Wyoming

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City Clerk

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