

# **Solid Waste Hauler Fee Increase Request September 2024**



# Percent of Customers by Hauler <sup>1</sup>

Company	Number of Customers <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Total Customers
Republic Services 2140 Bishop Road Greensboro, NC 27406	29,458	90.98%
GFL Environmental 1236 Elon Place High Point, NC 27263	2,761	8.53%
Randolph County Garbage Service 4284 Earnhardt Road Asheboro, NC 27205	160	0.49%
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,379</b>	<b>100%</b>

<sup>1</sup> As of 6/30/2024, submitted on Guilford County Solid Waste Annual Report



# Historical BOCC Approved Hauler Fee Increases

Subscriber fees are per household per month for weekly trash pickup and twice monthly for recycling pickup, curbside.

- \$25.50 approved August 2022 (Current)
- \$21.50 approved July 2019
- \$18.50 approved May 2008
- \$16.50 approved January 1999



# Solid Waste Collection Rate Increase Requests<sup>1</sup>

Company	Service	Previous Monthly Rate - Approved July 2019	Current Monthly Rate - Approved August 2022	Proposed Monthly Rate – Effective 1/1/26	Proposed \$ Amount Increase	Proposed % Increase
Republic Services	Weekly garbage & twice per month recyclables collection curbside	\$21.50	\$25.50	\$28.59	\$3.09	12%
GFL Environmental	Weekly garbage & twice per month recyclables collection curbside	\$21.50	\$25.50	\$28.72	\$3.22	12.6%
Randolph County Garbage Service	Weekly garbage & twice per month recyclables collection curbside	\$21.50	\$25.50	\$25.50 (Did not request a rate increase.)	\$0	0%

<sup>1</sup> Approved rate increase will be uniform and available to all haulers.



# Solid Waste Collection Fee CPI-U 5-year Comparison<sup>1</sup>

Garbage & Trash Collection CPI-U (July to July)	2019—2020	2020—2021	2021—2022	2022—2023	2023-2024
	3.4%	4.5%	5.2%	8.8%	3%
Proposed Fees Using Garbage & Trash CPI-U <sup>2</sup>	\$22.27 per month	\$23.03 per month	\$24.07 per month	\$25.32 per month	\$ 27.55 per month
Guilford County Historical Fees	\$21.50 per month	\$21.50 per month	\$21.50 per month	\$25.50 per month <sup>3</sup>	\$25.50 per month
GC Fees When Compared to Annual CPI-U Increases	\$0.77 less per month	\$1.53 less per month	\$2.57 less per month	\$0.18 more per month	\$2.05 more per month

<sup>1</sup>CPI-U Sub-index Garbage and Trash Collection

<sup>2</sup>If applied on January first of each year

<sup>3</sup>In August 2022, the Guilford County Board of Commissioners approved a new maximum solid waste collection fee of \$25.50/household/month.



# CPI-U Five-Year Average for Garbage & Trash Collection 2019 - 2024

Company	Current Request	CPI-U Garbage and Trash Collection (5-Yr. Avg.)	SW Collection Fee Using CPI-U of 5% and Current Rate of \$25.50/month
Republic Services	\$28.59/household/month	5%	\$26.78/household/month
GFL Environmental	\$28.72/household/month	5%	\$26.78/household/month

A 3% July CPI-U applied on January 1, 2025, to the projected rate of \$27.55 on the previous chart would be \$28.38.



# Solid Waste Collection Fee Options for Consideration

- Approve new uniform rate of \$28.65
  - Split the difference between the two hauler requests and apply the increase on January 1, 2025
  - Reevaluate fee increase per hauler request
- Approve new uniform rate of \$28.65
  - Split the difference between the two hauler requests and apply the increase on January 1, 2025
  - Apply the July CPI-U for Garbage & Waste Collection percent increase each January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Approve each individual hauler request
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  - Apply July CPI-U for Garbage & Waste Collection percent increase each January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Approve each individual hauler request
  - Apply the increases on January 1, 2025
  - Reevaluate fee increase per hauler request
- Other options ...



# Requests & Considerations

- Factor in July CPI-U adjustment and apply on January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- Add annual fee increases into the license agreement.
- Incorporate Change in Law rate increases for services resulting from costs incurred due to:
  - Any third party or municipal hauling company or disposal or recycling facility being used;
  - Changes in local, state, federal, or international rules, ordinances, or regulations;
  - Changes in taxes, fees, or other governmental charges (other than income, real property taxes);
  - Uncontrollable prolonged operational changes (i.e., a major bridge closure)
  - Increased fuel costs; and
  - Changes in costs due to a Force Majeure Event.
- Make any foregoing cost adjustments retroactive to the effective date of such increase or change in costs.



Thank You

