

June 29, 2010

To: Executive Committee  
From: Budget Committee  
Subject: Proposed 2011 Interim Solid Waste Rates

**Recommendation:**

**The Budget Committee recommends to the Executive Committee that:**

- 1. City Council adopt and continue the 2010 Solid Waste Rates for Residential Curbside Collection, Residential Units Above Commercial Properties Customers, Curbside Residential Subscription Properties, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Schools, as set-out in Appendix A of the report (June 11, 2010) from the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer until City Council adopts the 2011 Solid Waste Management Services Operating Budget and Capital Plan and the corresponding solid waste rates are approved.**

**Decision Advice and Other Information:**

The Budget Committee held a public meeting on June 29, 2010, and notice was given in accordance with the City of Toronto Act, 2006.

**Background:**

The Budget Committee on June 29, 2010, considered a report (June 11, 2010) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and the General Manager, Toronto Water, entitled "2011 Interim Water and Wastewater Service Rates".

for City Clerk



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Proposed 2011 Interim Solid Waste Rates

<b>Date:</b>	June 11, 2010
<b>To:</b>	Budget Committee
<b>From:</b>	General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:/swms/2010/June/016BC

#### SUMMARY

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This report seeks authorization to continue the 2010 Solid Waste Rates for Residential Curbside Collection, Residential Units Above Commercial Properties Customers, Curbside Residential Subscription Properties, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Schools, until City Council adopts the 2011 Solid Waste Management Services Operating Budget and Capital Plan and new rates have been approved.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**The General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, recommend that:**

1. 2010 Solid Waste Rates for Residential Curbside Collection, Residential Units Above Commercial Properties Customers, Curbside Residential Subscription Properties, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Schools, as set-out in Appendix A, be adopted, and continue until City Council adopts the 2011 Solid Waste Management Services Operating Budget and Capital Plan and the corresponding solid waste rates are approved.

#### Financial Impact

The City of Toronto Solid Waste Management Services is a fully funded program. Funding consists of various user fees on a 'pay as you go' basis through a volume-based solid waste rate system as well as other program revenues. The recommendations of this report is to extend the current solid waste management fees as detailed in Appendix A

until the new City Council can consider rates proposed as part of the Recommended 2011 Solid Waste Management Services Operating Budget. The City of Toronto Solid Waste Management Services customers will not experience any change in their solid waste management bills due to the continuation of current 2010 solid waste rates into 2011, as recommended in the report.

This recommendation report does not affect the solid waste rates for multi-residential bulk collection customers. The continuation of the multi-residential solid waste rates was addressed at the recent June 15, 2010 Public Works & Infrastructure Committee meeting through Recommendation No. 2, "PW34.3 Proposed New Multi-Residential Billing System and Rate Structure for Bulk Collection Customers" that will be before City Council for its consideration on July 6 and 7, 2010.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact statement.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

At its meeting of August 5 and 6, 2009, City Council adopted "PW25.1 Residential Units Above Commercial Premises and Revisions to Particular Solid Waste Management Rates". The City Council Decision document can be viewed at:

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/decisions/2009-08-05-cc38-dd.htm>

At its meeting of November 30, December 1 and 2, 2009, City Council adopted "EX36.26 Recommended 2010 Solid Waste Rates". The City Council Decision document can be viewed at:

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/decisions/2009-11-30-cc42-dd.htm>

## **COMMENTS**

Given the municipal election in October 2010, Solid Waste Management Services staff will not be in position to recommend any changes to the subject solid waste rates until the new City Council is in place in 2011, and Solid Waste Management Services 2011 Operating Budget and Capital Plan have been presented to the new City Council for their consideration.

The 2011 Solid Waste Management Services budget approval process is expected to take place in early 2011 and the corresponding solid waste rates will be considered at the same time. The

different budget time schedule requires that 2010 solid waste rates are extended to 2011 until the new rates are approved.

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**SIGNATURE:**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A – Proposed Interim 2011 Solid Waste Rates