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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 3, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: David Garcia, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Resolution to continue temporary reduction of the Western Nevada County Solid Waste Parcel Charges for Fiscal Years 2025/26 and 2026/27 and approve drafted letters to the Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City regarding Solid Waste Parcel Charges and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Nevada County to Execute the Letters - Districts I through IV

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution. Approve and execute the attached letters to the Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City.

FUNDING: Funding is for Fiscal Year 2025/26 and 2026/27 and impacts the Solid Waste Western Budget. The continued temporary parcel charge reduction will be reflected in the budget and no budget amendment is needed. There is no impact to the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: Solid Waste Parcel Charges were established “for the use of and/or disposal of refuse at the McCourtney Road Transfer Station and/or any authorized convenience station.” In addition, Resolution 97-80 provided financial assurance for post-closure maintenance of the McCourtney Road Landfill via “gate fees and/or parcel charges.” Per Nevada County Code Section 15.13.250(G), and Article XIII C of the California Constitution, the Board of Supervisors can temporarily reduce the parcel charges to an amount consistent with the need to operate the Solid Waste System. In May 2012, the Board approved Resolution 12-191, temporarily reducing the Solid Waste Parcel Charges. This action was justified based on reduced annual expenses due to the Franchise Agreement with Waste Management (WM) (Resolution 12-052) and defeasance of the 2002 Solid Waste Certificates of Participation Bonds (Resolution 12-125).

The Board of Supervisors approved Resolutions 18158 and 20-170 to continue the temporary reduction through June 30, 2022. In 2022, per Resolution 22-277, the Board approved a 25% reduction instead of the previously approved 50% reduction for Residential customers and a continued 50% reduction for commercial customers through June 30, 2023, to address the increased funding needs. In 2023, Resolution 23-272 was approved to continue the reductions of 25% for Residential customers and 50% for Commercial Customers.

The Solid Waste Division recommends maintaining the Solid Waste Parcel Charges as they fund necessary capital projects, ongoing operation costs, and provide CalRecycle required post-closure maintenance and reasonably foreseeable corrective actions financial assurance for the McCourtney Road Landfill. Staff also proposes that the Board continue with the current temporary reduction of the Solid Waste Parcel Charges as follows:

	<u>Established Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate:</u>
Single Family Residential	\$59.40 per year	\$44.54 per year
Multi-Family Residential	\$46.28 per unit/year	\$34.70 per unit/year
Mobile Home Space (in park)	\$41.44 per unit/year	\$31.08 per unit/year
Non-Residential Parcels	\$54.38 per ton	\$27.19 per ton

To impose fees under the authority contained in Section 25830 of the Government Code, the Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City must consent to the imposition of the parcel charges within their jurisdictions. Therefore, this item is being presented to the Board of Supervisors for review and approval of the attached letters requesting consent by the Cities.

Staff is recommending that the Board adopt the attached resolution continuing a temporary reduction to the Western Nevada County Solid Waste Parcel Charges for an additional two (2) fiscal years. Staff is recommending this temporary rate reduction be adopted with an end date of June 30, 2027.

Staff is also recommending approval and execution of the attached letters to the Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City regarding Solid Waste Parcel Charges.

Attachments:

1. Resolution to continue temporary reduction of Western Nevada County Solid Waste Parcel Charges for Fiscal Years 2025/26 and 2026/27
2. Drafted Letter to City of Grass Valley
3. Drafted Letter to City of Nevada City

Item Initiated by: Stacy Manning, Senior Community Development Technician
Approved by: David Garcia, Director of Public Works