



CONSIDERATION OF A POTENTIAL SOLID WASTE S.H.A.R.E. PROGRAM

Public Works Department

City Council
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BACKGROUND

1. June 27, 2023 - City Council requested staff investigate a financial assistance program for solid waste customers
2. September 6, 2023 - Inclusiveness, Community Engagement and Governmental Processes Committee (ICGC) considered a preliminary program
3. September 19, 2023 - City Council approved new five-year rate plan
4. November 1, 2023 – ICGC recommended City Council approve Solid Waste SHARE program



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SOLID WASTE SERVICES: ADDED VALUE

Special Services and Initiatives:

1. Disabled resident pickup assistance
2. Free “Bulky Item” pickup services
3. Clean Up Riverside
4. Support Beautify Riverside, Festival of Lights, and Keep Riverside Clean & Beautiful
5. Local career days & job fairs
6. Participate in City-hosted events: Truckapalooza & Insect Fair



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DISCUSSION

1. Proposed SHARE credit for solid waste was developed in proportion to existing credits offered for the RPU Water SHARE program.
2. Proposed program would start with a monthly credit of \$1.94 and increase to \$7.12 by the close of the approved five-year rate plan.

Date	Proposed Monthly SHARE Credit
Nov. 2023	\$1.94
July 2024	\$3.24
July 2025	\$4.46
July 2026	\$5.75
July 2027	\$7.12



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DISCUSSION

Date	Proposed Rate Increase	Total Monthly Bill	Proposed Monthly SHARE Credit	Net Monthly Cost for SHARE Customers	Total Cost of Solid Waste SHARE Program
Current	-	\$33.78	-	-	-
Nov. 2023	\$0.94	\$34.72	\$1.94	\$32.78	\$83,100 FY 23/24
July 2024	\$2.60	\$37.32	\$3.24	\$34.08	\$170,011 FY 24/25
July 2025	\$2.43	\$39.75	\$4.46	\$35.29	\$224,588 FY 25/26
July 2026	\$2.58	\$42.33	\$5.75	\$36.58	\$282,509 FY 26/27
July 2027	\$2.75	\$45.08	\$7.12	\$37.96	\$344,217 FY 27/28



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DISCUSSION

Monthly credit amounts for all SHARE Programs
over next 5 years

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Solid Waste	\$1.94	\$3.24	\$4.46	\$5.75	\$7.12
Water	\$4.25	\$4.75	\$5.25	\$5.75	\$6.25
Electric	\$20.00	\$24.00	\$26.00	\$28.00	\$30.00
Total	\$26.19	\$31.99	\$35.71	\$39.50	\$43.37



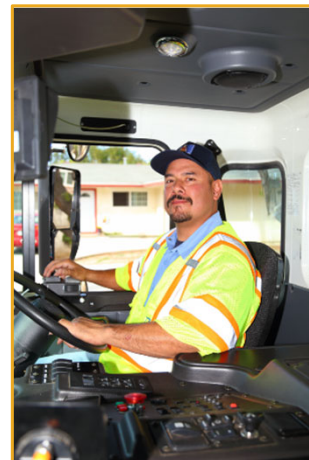
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DISCUSSION

1. The program is anticipated to serve 3,679 residential customers and would be available Citywide
2. Cost to operate the program through FY 23/24 is estimated at \$83,100
3. The total cost of the five-year program would be \$1,104,425
4. A General Fund transfer is recommended to fund the FY 23/24 program cost.



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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Strategic Priority 3 – Economic Opportunity

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Approve the establishment of a SHARE program to assist qualifying City of Riverside Solid Waste customers;
2. Authorize the SHARE program to be in effect as of November 1, 2023; and
3. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a supplemental appropriation and interfund transfer in the amount of \$83,100 from the General Fund to the Refuse Fund for the purpose of funding the fiscal year 2023/24 cost of the SHARE program.



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