

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

#### **Public Works Department**

Inclusiveness, Community Engagement, and Governmental Processes Committee

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# **BACKGROUND**

- 1. June 27, 2023: City Council requested staff investigate a financial assistance program for solid waste customers
- 2. The program would coincide with a proposed five-year rate plan, for which a public hearing is scheduled for September 19, 2023





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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
- Participate in City-hosted events:
  Truckapalooza & Insect Fair







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### **DISCUSSION**

- 1. The proposed SHARE credit for solid waste was developed in proportion to existing credits offered for the RPU Water SHARE program.
- 2. The proposed program would start with a monthly credit of \$1.94 and increase to \$7.12 by the close of the proposed 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	-	-	-
November 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**

- 1. A Solid Waste SHARE program could not be funded through rates.
  - Non-Rate Revenue Recycling Fees, Curbside Material & Street Sweeping Fines
  - 2. General Fund subsidy
  - 3. American Rescue Plan Act (temporary)
- 2. The program is anticipated to serve 3,679 residential customers and would be available Citywide
- 3. The total cost of the five-year program would be \$1,104,425.00



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## STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT



Strategic Priority 3 – Economic Opportunity

#### **Cross-Cutting Threads**



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency







Innovation

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# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Inclusiveness, Community Engagement, and Governmental Processes Committee consider the establishment of a SHARE program to assist qualifying City of Riverside Solid Waste customers.

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