

RESOLUTION NO. 3253

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SOLID WASTE (A/K/A GARBAGE) RATES AND RULES  
FOR THE YEAR OF 2026

WHEREAS, section 3.02.080 of the Selah Municipal Code provides that the various monetary rates that the City charges customers/consumers for solid waste (a/k/a garbage) service shall be set via Resolution of the City Council from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that “additional” totes and “occasional extra equivalents” to a tote shall no longer be billed at reduced rates, and, instead, that every tote and every equivalent to a tote shall be billed at a regular/non-reduced rate. This will commence in 2026 and remain applicable thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has also determined that the applicable “regular service rates” and also the “rates for other types of service & occurrences” for the forthcoming year of 2026 shall be increased (versus the rates that were applicable during 2025), to the amounts specified within this Resolution. However, the “reduced rates for low-income senior citizens and/or low-income disabled persons” for the year of 2026 shall remain the same as they were during 2025, as set forth in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has further determined the “annual household income” levels whereby low-income senior citizens and low-income disabled persons respectively can qualify for reduced rates for 64-gallon totes and 96-gallon totes should be adjusted upward, to the amounts specified within this Resolution. This is intended to enable those individuals to continue qualifying for reduced rates even if their incomes have slightly increased since the start of 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has yet further determined that the rates that were applicable during the year of 2025 (as established by Resolution No. 3165) shall also be, to the extent possible, recited within this Resolution so as to promote greater transparency with regard to how rates have changed and will further change over the years:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH, WASHINGTON, as follows:

## REGULAR SERVICE RATES:

<u>Classification:</u>	<u>Collection Interval:</u>	<u>Rates and Fees Monthly:</u>	
		<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
<u>Totes:</u>			
32-Gallon Tote	per week	\$17.33	\$19.41
64-Gallon Tote	per week	\$18.91	\$21.18
96-Gallon Tote	per week	\$23.03	\$25.79

### Additional Totes & Equivalents:

Each Additional 32-Gallon Tote/Equiv.	per occurrence	\$ 6.54	\$19.41
Each Additional 64-Gallon Tote/Equiv.	per occurrence	\$10.06	\$21.18
Each Additional 96-Gallon Tote/Equiv.	per occurrence	\$13.61	\$25.79

Consistent with the second recital paragraph above (*i.e.*, 2<sup>nd</sup> “WHEREAS” ¶, “additional” totes and “occasional extra equivalents” to a tote will – commencing in 2026 and continuing thereafter – no longer be billed at reduced rates, and, instead, will be billed at regular/non-reduced rates.

Recurring Yard Waste Pickup: (3 bags) 2 times per month      \$ 2.61      \$ 2.92

Recurring yard waste pickup service is optional at the customer’s/consumer’s election. It is different from the no-charge yard waste pickup days that occur during the spring and autumn throughout the city.

## REDUCED RATES FOR LOW-INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS AND/OR LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS:

<u>Classification:</u>	<u>Collection Interval:</u>	<u>Rates and Fees Monthly:</u>	
		<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
<u>Totes:</u>			
64-Gallon Tote	per week	\$15.60	\$15.60
96-Gallon Tote	per week	\$20.23	\$20.23
<u>All Others:</u>	as applicable	(see Res. No. 3165)	(billed at full “regular” rates)

- (1) A “senior citizen” is a person who occupies a dwelling unit and is sixty-two years of age or older.
- (2) A “low-income senior citizen” is a senior citizen whose income, combined with the income of other household occupants, if any, for the calendar year preceding was lessor than:

<u>Household Size:</u>	<u>Annual Household Income:</u>	
	<u>2025 (last year):</u>	<u>2026 (this year):</u>
1	\$26,000	\$30,000
2	\$35,000	\$39,000
3	\$44,000	\$48,000
4	\$53,000	\$57,000

(3) A “disabled person” is a person who occupies a dwelling unit and who either: qualifies for special parking privileges under RCW Chapter 46.19 or other applicable law; is a blind person as defined in RCW 74.18.020(4) or other applicable law; has a developmental disability as defined in RCW 71A.10.020(6) or other applicable law; or has a mental disorder as defined in RCW 71.05.020(39) or other applicable law.

(4) A “low-income disabled person” is a disabled person whose income, combined with other household occupants, if any, for the calendar year preceding was lessor than:

<u>Household Size:</u>	<u>Annual Household Income:</u>	
	<u>2025 (last year):</u>	<u>2026 (this year):</u>
1	\$26,000	\$30,000
2	\$35,000	\$39,000
3	\$44,000	\$48,000
4	\$53,000	\$57,000

- (5) "Income" has a broad meaning both with respect to low-income senior citizens and low-income disabled persons. It includes any item that is presumptively subject to federal income taxation. It also includes the proceeds realized from the sale, transfer, or other disposition of the person's primary residence unless the proceeds or a portion thereof are used to acquire, obtain or secure a replacement primary residence within eighteen (18) months of when the proceeds were received (and if only a portion of the proceeds are used for such purpose, then the other portion that was not used for such is included within the definition of "income").
- (6) Determination of eligibility for low-income senior citizen status or low-income disabled person status shall be made by the City's Finance Director, the Mayor or another designee of the Mayor based upon statement by the person at least annually or any other reasonable and verifiable means provided by the person at least annually that the City agent chooses to accept.

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## RATES FOR OTHER TYPES OF SERVICE & OCCURRENCES:

<u>Classification:</u>	<u>Collection Interval:</u>	<u>Monthly Rates:</u>	
		<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
<u>Bins &amp; Drop Boxes (recurring):</u>			
1.5-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$ 85.97	\$ 96.29
1.5-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$159.70	\$178.86
1.5-Yard Bin	3 times per week	\$236.43	\$264.80
2.0-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$125.11	\$140.12
2.0-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$235.41	\$263.66
3.0-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$203.91	\$228.38
3.0-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$381.79	\$427.60
4.0-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$246.93	\$276.56
4.0-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$461.70	\$517.10
6.0-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$293.70	\$328.94
6.0-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$548.59	\$614.42
8.0-Yard Bin	1 time per week	\$345.06	\$386.47
8.0-Yard Bin	2 times per week	\$643.99	\$721.27
<u>Rates Per Occurrence:</u>			
		<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
<u>On-Call and Special Pickups:</u>			
1.5-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 24.92	\$ 27.91
2.0-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 36.19	\$ 40.53
3.0-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 58.28	\$ 65.27
4.0-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 71.46	\$ 80.04
6.0-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 85.02	\$ 95.22
8.0-Yard Bin	per pickup	\$ 99.91	\$111.90
Overflow of a Bin (per yard)	per occurrence	\$ 27.63	\$ 30.95
<u>Rates Per Occurrence:</u>			
		<u>2025 (last year)*</u>	<u>2026 (this year)*</u>
20-Yard Drop Box	per pickup	\$129.47	\$145.01
20-Yard Self-Contained			
Compactor	per pickup	\$243.51	\$272.73
30-Yard or 40-Yard Drop Box	per pickup	\$158.07	\$177.04
30 Yard Self-Contained			
Compactor	per pickup	\$296.64	\$332.24

\*In addition to the specified rate, the customer/consumer is also responsible for paying all landfill/dump fees, tipping fees, and similar items. Temporary drop boxes are also subject to a daily rental charge and initial delivery fee, at rates established by the city's contracted service company.

	<u>Rates Per Foot:</u>	
	<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
Walk-in Service:	per pickup and roundtrip	\$0.42      \$0.47

The per-foot charges are based on the cumulative distance that a worker must walk in order to retrieve/access the customer's/consumer's receptacle and also to return/replace the receptacle after service (*i.e.*, it is the total roundtrip distance walked by the worker).

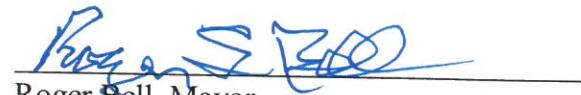
	<u>Additional Monthly Rate:</u>	
	<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
Commercial Locking Container:	per month	\$27.77      \$31.10
<u>Rates Per Occurrence:</u>		
Roll-Out Charge, Base (10-25 feet)	per occurrence	\$9.60      \$10.75
Roll-Out Charge, Extended (per each additional 25-foot increment or any portion of an increment)	per occurrence	\$6.84      \$ 7.66

Roll-out charges apply when a driver is required to move a commercial container more than ten feet to the curb or alley line in order to effectuate a pickup. If the driver moves the container more than ten feet but less than twenty-five feet, the Roll-Out Charge, Base amount will be assessed per pickup. In addition, if the driver moves the container more than twenty-five feet, the Roll-Out Charge, Extended amount will also be assessed per pickup (in addition to the Roll-Out Charge, Base amount also being assessed).

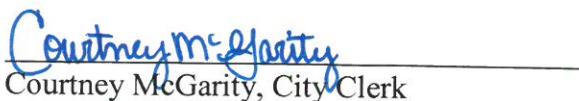
**BILLING BY THE CITY, EFFECTIVE DATES OF RATES AND LEVELS, AND  
MANDATORY NATURE OF SERVICE:**

The City shall bill solid waste customers/consumers on a monthly or near-monthly basis. The rates and levels specified within this Resolution for the year of 2026 shall become applicable as of January 1, 2026. Each non-vacant property situated within the corporate limits of the city is required to have solid waste service via the contracting company that the City utilizes.

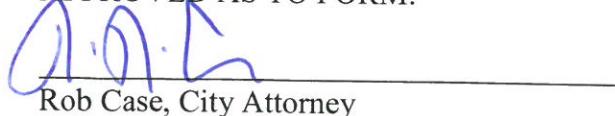
PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,  
WASHINGTON this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025.

  
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Roger Bell, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Rob Case, City Attorney