

**City of La Mesa
Solid Waste Collection
Proposed Monthly Service Rates**

Effective July 1, 2025
Through June 30, 2027

The following table shows the current and proposed monthly rates for basic residential and commercial solid waste collection service. Your specific service level may not be reflected.

	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate
Residential Service:		
Base rate	\$27.53	\$28.84
Commercial Service:		
3-yard bin once per week	\$122.94	\$130.14

Notice of Public Hearing

This mailing serves as notice to property owners about a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. At the Public Hearing, the City Council will consider a proposed rate increase for residential and commercial trash collection in the City of La Mesa.

Who Should I Call With Questions?

If you have questions about the proposed rate increase or the process for submitting a written protest, call the City of La Mesa at 619.667.1166.

City of La Mesa
Office of the City Clerk
8130 Allison Avenue
La Mesa, CA 91942



**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED RATE
INCREASE FOR
RESIDENTIAL AND
COMMERCIAL
TRASH COLLECTION**

**Tuesday, June 24, 2025
6:00 PM**

La Mesa City Hall
Council Chambers
8130 Allison Avenue
La Mesa, CA 91942

If you are the property owner and you have a tenant who is responsible for the refuse collection bill, please forward this notice to the tenant.

Notification

In compliance with Article XIII D of the California State Constitution and the

Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, the City of La Mesa is hereby notifying all affected property owners of a proposed rate increase for residential and commercial solid waste collection for City of La Mesa customers. The La Mesa City Council will consider the proposed rate increase at a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. The Public Hearing will be conducted in the City Council Chambers of La Mesa City Hall, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate in the public meeting. The meeting may be viewed live on Cox Cable Channel 24 (within La Mesa City limits), AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 (in the San Diego Region), Zoom webinar (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84472650722>), the City's website (www.cityoflamesa.us), or Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/lamesaca).

Public Hearing Information

At the Public Hearing, the City Council will hear and consider all testimony concerning the proposed increases to the solid waste rates. If you oppose the proposed rate increase, your protest must be submitted in writing to be considered. Oral comments at the Public Hearing will not qualify as a formal protest unless accompanied by a written protest. If written protests are submitted by a majority of affected property owners, the proposed rate increases may not be implemented.

Protests must be submitted in writing to the City Clerk's office by noon on Tuesday, June 24, 2025.

Owners of multiple properties must file a separate written protest for each property. Only one written protest per parcel will be accepted.

Protests sent by e-mail or fax will not be accepted.
Protests received after the Public Hearing is closed also will not be accepted.

Written protests must contain a statement indicating your opposition to the rate increase, the Assessor Parcel Number (APN) of the property subject to the proposed rates, the EDCO service address, and the printed name and the signature of the property owner or rate paying tenant. Send your written protest to:

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The City of La Mesa encourages the participation of disabled individuals in the services, activities, and programs provided by the City. Individuals with disabilities who require reasonable accommodation to participate in City Council meetings should contact the City's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator at 619.667.1175.

Why are Solid Waste and Recycling Rates Increasing?

EDCO Disposal Corporation provides solid waste disposal, recycling services, and organic waste recycling services in the City of La Mesa under a franchise agreement. These services include the

collection, transfer, processing, and disposal of all solid waste, recyclables, and organic waste generated at all residential and commercial properties located in the City of La Mesa.

In an effort to stabilize trash and recycling rates paid by EDCO customers in La Mesa over the long term, the La Mesa City Council began adopting multiple-year rates in 1997.

The current solid waste rates have been in effect since July 1, 2023.

In accordance with the franchise agreement, EDCO is required to submit a written request for any rate adjustments for the upcoming fiscal year.

Prior to presenting any new rates for Council consideration, the City contracts with an independent accounting firm to perform certain agreed-upon procedures on EDCO's accounting records. This work includes reviewing detailed worksheets that track EDCO's costs and revenues for each rate component. The worksheets are ultimately used to calculate the proposed rates. The purpose of having the agreed-upon-procedures performed is to assist City staff in determining the appropriateness of rates charged to La Mesa's citizens and businesses for the collection of trash and recyclable materials.

Following the independent accountant's work, EDCO and City staff, with assistance from the accountants, negotiate appropriate final rates for the City Council to consider during a Public Hearing. If approved at the June 24, 2025 Public Hearing, rate adjustments will be effective starting July 1, 2025.

The proposed rate adjustments are needed to fund cost increases for collecting, processing, and disposing of solid waste, labor and equipment costs, fuel charges, recyclable collection and processing, public education, and other state-mandated landfill diversion programs.

Prop. 218 Protest Form

By signing the form below, I protest the proposed rate increase for solid waste collection and affirm under penalty of law that I am the owner or authorized representative of the owner of the below parcel.

Parcel Information

Assessor's Parcel ID: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Statement

Submitted By:

Print Owner Name: _____

If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.: _____

Print Authorized Signatory:

Signature: _____

Date: _____