



Office of the City Manager

PUBLIC HEARING
June 28, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
Submitted by: Liam Garland, Director, Public Works
Subject: Transfer Station Rates for FY 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Conduct a public hearing and upon its conclusion adopt a City Council Resolution to:

- 1) Approve the proposed Transfer Station rates, environmental compliance fee and special material handling charges effective August 1, 2022; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to review annually the Transfer Station rates, environmental compliance fee, and special material handling charges, and, if needed, increase them by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index published by the United States Bureau of Labor; and
- 3) Rescind the rates and special handling fees approved by City Council Resolution No. 64,575-N.S., adopted July 14, 2009, and as amended by Resolution No. 64,712-N.S., adopted December 6, 2009.

SUMMARY

The City's Transfer Station rates last increased in 2009, while the Transfer Station's costs related to inflation, personnel, contract, and environmental compliance have risen. Staff recommends that City Council conduct a public hearing and adopt the proposed Transfer Station rates, initiate a new environmental compliance fee and special handling charges, and authorize the City Manager to annually review these rates and charges and, if needed, increase them by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) published by the United States Bureau of Labor.

FISCAL IMPACTS

For FY 2022 and FY 2023, Transfer Station revenues are projected to be \$8.4 million annually. The proposed rates, initiation of an environmental compliance fee, an increase of existing special material handling charges, and adoption of new special material handling charges are estimated to generate an additional \$1.1 million annually, or a 13.2% increase in revenues compared to the prior year, and should help to offset the Transfer Station's increased costs.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Transfer Station’s rates and special material handling charges are generated to cover costs for the handling and transfer of City’s curbside collection or third-party delivered materials of refuse, recyclables, green/food waste disposal, and recyclable materials (propane tanks, electronic equipment, etc.). With rates flat since 2009, these rates have failed to keep up with increased costs. Further, the Transfer Station has experienced a significant increase of refuse delivered by third-parties because the Transfer Station offers lower rates compared to the City’s neighboring transfer stations. Since 2009, landfill tons of refuse have increased by 39%, and green/food and construction and demolition (C&D) materials have more than doubled. These increases are also attributed to overall economic growth in Berkeley and adjacent cities, the City’s expansion of green/food materials curbside collection services, and free residential drop-off services of mattress and box spring units.

Rate Analysis & Development. Table 1 provides a comparison of Berkeley’s current Transfer Station rates to other transfer stations in the area.

Table 1

Material type	Refuse		Organics		C&D Materials	
	Per Min. load	Per ton	Per Min. load	Per ton	Per Min. load	Per ton
DAVIS STREET San Leandro	\$71.54	\$240.27	\$71.96	\$117.84	\$71.54	\$240.27
GOLDEN BEAR Richmond	\$44.26	\$166.75	\$35.40	\$166.75	\$42.45	\$158.35
FREMONT	\$55.00	\$118.62	\$55.00	\$108.47	\$55.00	\$116.73
MT. DIABLO Pittsburg	\$36.50	\$120.25	\$36.50	\$120.00	\$36.50	\$120.00
MARTINEZ	\$25.00	\$110.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$110.00
BERKELEY Current	\$29.00	\$126.00	\$23.00	\$67.00	\$29.00	\$126.00

The proposed rates in Table 2 below were developed with consideration for and review of current rates of neighboring transfer stations; CPI increases as calculated by the US Dept. of Labor since 2009; recent City, StopWaste.org and State legislation that promotes material separation (such as the City’s opt-in ordinance to comply with SB 1383¹); increased contractual costs for the composting of organics and the sorting, recycling, and marketing of C&D materials; and rates that remain fair and equitable to City residents and businesses.

The proposed rates include a new environmental compliance fee of \$3.50 per minimum load transaction and \$5.00 per ton, which will help offset the increased cost of

¹ <https://berkeley.municipal.codes/BMC/12.35>

compliance with the CalRecycle Permit, California Water Resources Control Board National Pollution Discharge Elimination System General Permit, City and San Francisco BayKeeper Consent Decree, and EBMUD Wastewater Discharge Permit. The rates charged will include the proposed base rate plus the proposed environmental compliance fee, as detailed in Table 2:

Table 2

Material type	Refuse*		Organics		C&D Materials*	
	Per Min. load	Per ton	Per Min. load	Per ton	Per Min. load	Per ton
BERKELEY current	\$29.00	\$126.00	\$23.00	\$67.00	\$29.00	\$126.00
Proposed base rate	\$38.50	\$149.00	\$27.75	\$72.05	\$33.50	\$130.00
Env. Compliance Fee	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00
Total Charged	\$42.00	\$154.00	\$31.25	\$77.05	\$37.00	\$135.00

*Please note: The rates of Refuse and C&D materials are currently the same. The proposed rate for C&D is less than the Refuse rate to incentivize more source separation by customers prior to arriving at the Transfer Station.

Other Applicable Fees

The proposed Transfer Station rate schedule includes a surcharge for mixed loads to encourage adequate material separation to comply with SB1383, and a surcharge to reload prohibited materials delivered by third parties. Table 3 compares current special material handling rates to the proposed rates:

Table 3

Material Type	Current	Proposed
Surcharge for Mixed Loads ¹	50% of Refuse rate	75% of Refuse rate
Mattress/Box Spring set		
Commercial	\$ 14.00	\$ 18.00
Resident ²	no charge	no charge
Auto Tire	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00
Truck Tire	\$ 15.00	\$ 30.00
Appliance	\$ 43.00	\$ 48.00
Propane Tank	\$ 20.00	\$ 35.00
Electronics ³	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00
Carpets	C&D rate	C&D rate
Reload Prohibited Material ⁴	no charge	\$ 50.00
Prepaid Bags		
Refuse	\$ 5.73	\$ 7.50

Organics	\$ 2.30	\$ 3.00
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¹ The surcharge incentivizes segregation of refuse, organics and C&D materials, and is in addition to the rate per material type and load.

² There will be no charge to residents for up to two sets because these costs are offset by the Mattress Recycling Program.

³ First two electronic items at no charge, \$9.00 per item for three or more.

⁴ If the same customer reloads on two or more occasions, a charge of \$150 is proposed.

In 2014, the Transfer Station rates were revised and approved without allowance for annual adjustments to these rates to account for any inflation impacts on operational expenses. Therefore, staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager to conduct an annual review as permitted by law of these rates, fees, and special material handling charges and increase them, if needed, by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the CPI published by the United States Bureau of Labor.

The proposed Transfer Station’s rates are a Strategic Plan Priority Project that advances the City’s goals to provide an efficient and financially-health City government, and foster a dynamic, sustainable, and locally-based economy.

BACKGROUND

All Zero Waste Division services are exclusively funded by the Zero Waste Fund (Fund 601), an enterprise fund. The Zero Waste Fund pays for the City’s solid waste programs, collection services, and Transfer Station operations. Fund revenues are generated by two separate revenue streams:

- 1) Rates charged for residential and commercial curbside collection of refuse, dual stream recycling, green/waste collection customers, and third-party franchise fees; and
- 2) Rates charged for third-party delivered materials to the Transfer Station, including refuse, organics, C&D, and specially handled materials.

Rates for collections are subject to Proposition 218, while rates for third-party delivered materials require only a public hearing prior to City Council approval. The current refuse, organic, C&D, and special material handling rates were last adopted by City Council Resolution No. 64,575-N.S. on July 14, 2009, and amended by Resolution No. 64,712-N.S. on December 6, 2009.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

The current Transfer Station rates cannot fully fund the cost of operating the facility or maintaining compliance with State or local agency permits. These revised rates will provide funding to help support the City’s Zero Waste and Climate Action Plan goals.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City’s Transfer Station rates last increased in 2009, while the Transfer Station’s costs related to inflation, personnel, contract, and environmental compliance have

increased. The proposed rates are requested to generate sufficient revenues to offset increased costs.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

City Council could forgo rate setting and continue with existing rates. This would decrease the revenue available for the Zero Waste Fund and, over time, lead to service reductions.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution
- 2: Public Hearing Notice

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CITY OF BERKELEY TRANSFER STATION REVISED RATES AND RESCINDING
RESOLUTIONS NO. 64,575 - N.S. AND 64,712 - N.S.

WHEREAS, the City is required by law, and in the interest of public health and resource reduction, reuse and recycling, to promote and provide integrated zero waste management services to the City community members; and

WHEREAS, the Zero Waste Fund (601) is an enterprise fund for the City's Integrated Zero Waste Management Programs and services and is required to generate sufficient revenues to offset these programs and services costs; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2009, the City Council approved Resolution No. 64,575 - N.S. approving Transfer Station rates for refuse, construction and demolition materials, and organics (compostable) by the load and per ton and special material handling charges; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2009, the City Council approved Resolution No. 64,712 – N.S. which rescinded Resolution No. 64,575 - N.S., Section 3, rates charged for prepaid refuse and compost bags.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley approves the Transfer Station rates, surcharges and fees as follows:

Section 1: An Environmental Compliance Fee for Refuse, Construction and Demolition, and Organics (compostable) materials shall be charged as follows:

- \$3.50 per minimum load (330 pounds or less), or
- \$5.00 per ton.

Section 2: The Base Rate for Refuse shall be:

- \$38.50 per minimum load (330 pounds or less), or
- \$149.00 per ton.

Section 3: For the recycling of items that require special material handling at the Transfer Station, rates shall be charged for each item. In addition, the environmental compliance fee is applicable only for the handling and transfer of refuse, construction and demolition or organic (compostable) materials.

Special Material Handling Charges per item shall be:

- a. 75% surcharge of the Refuse Base Rate on all mixed refuse, construction & demolition and organics loads (10% or more of these mixed material types in the load based on visual inspection).

- b. \$18.00 per unit of mattresses or box spring for commercial customers. Residents are accepted free (up to 2 units per transaction).
- c. \$20.00 per automobile tire.
- d. \$30.00 per truck tire.
- e. \$48.00 per appliance, refrigerated and non-refrigerated.
- f. \$35.00 per propane tank.
- g. \$9.00 per electronic item with three (3) or more, first two (2) items at no change.
- h. Carpets are charged per the construction and demolition material base rate.
- i. \$50.00 for first occurrence to reload of prohibited materials, \$150.00 per customers' second and subsequent occurrences.

Section 4: Organic (compostable) Materials includes: plant debris, prunings, unpainted untreated wood, pallets, waxed cardboard, unpainted sheet rock, food scraps, and compostable fibers. Organic materials do not include: plywood, painted wood, tree stumps, plastic bags, trash, refuse, recyclables, such as, uncontaminated cardboard, metal, etc., or all other material unsuitable for composting.

Section 5: The Base Rate for clean loads of Organic (compostable) Materials shall be:

- \$27.75 per minimum load (330 pounds or less), or
- \$72.05 per ton.

Section 6: The Base Rate for Construction and Demolition Materials shall be:

- \$33.50 minimum per load (330 pounds or less), or
- \$130.00 per ton.

Section 7: Vehicles with unsecured loads will be charged a \$15 fee.

Section 8: For the Purchase of Prepaid Bags for residential use only customer for extra materials to be placed at the curb on day of regular scheduled collection up to seven (7) additional bags, the cost shall be:

- Refuse - \$7.50 per bag.
- Compostable Organics - \$3.00 per bag.

Section 9: If Transfer Station scale is inoperable, the pounds per cubic yard conversion ratio shall be 330 pounds to the cubic yard and any estimate of volume will be made to the nearest half cubic yard.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to annually review the base rates of refuse, construction and demolition, and organics materials; the environmental compliance fee; and special material handling charges; and increase these charges each year by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the

Consumer Price Index (CPI) statistics published by the United States Bureau of Labor, as needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolutions No. 64,575-N.S. and 64,712-N.S. are hereby rescinded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the conclusion of the Public Hearing on June 28, 2022, the City Council will amend as directed by public input and that this Resolution and the Transfer Station rates, environmental compliance fee and special material handling charges shall take effect on August 1, 2022.

ATTACHMENT 2 – ANALYSIS OF EXISTING & PROPOSED RATES and Comparison to Bay Area Transfer Station Rates

EXISTING RATES:

On December 6, 2009, The City Council held a public hearing, reviewed and approved the current Transfer Station rates per the Council amended approved Resolution No. 64,575-N.S. and approved Resolution No. 64,712-N.S. (revised previously approved charges). These Transfer Station (Station) rates became effective January 1, 2010 and the following: refuse (also called municipal solid waste), compostable organics (both food and plant debris materials), construction and demolition (C&D) and special materials/appliance handling charges. The current rates are:

- \$29.00 for refuse - minimum per load (same for C&D),
- \$126.00 for refuse - per ton rate (same for C&D),
- \$23.00 for compostable organics - minimum per load charge,
- \$67.00 for compostable organics – per ton,
- Special Handling Charges:
 - a. \$14.00 per mattresses/box springs (commercial only),
 - b. \$10.00 per automobile tire,
 - c. \$15.00 per truck tire,
 - d. \$43.00 per appliances,
 - e. \$20.00 per propane tank, and
 - f. \$9.00 for three (3) or more electronic items, first two (2) items at no charge.
- 50% surcharge of refuse rate on mixed refuse and organics loads (10% or more of organics upon inspection) with \$100.00 maximum charge per transaction.

PROPOSED RATES:

The following table summarizes the Transfer Station's (Station) current and proposed rates with the public hearing conducted and City Council's approval for the Transfer Station to be effective August 1, 2022:

	Refuse (MSW)		Green Waste		C&D Materials*	
	Min.	Per Ton	Min.	Per ton	Min.	Per ton
Current Rate	\$29.00	\$126.00	\$26.45	\$72.05	\$29.00	\$126.00
Proposed base	\$38.50	\$149.00	\$27.75	\$72.05	\$33.50	\$130.00
Environmental Fee**	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00
Proposed Rate	\$42.00	\$154.00	\$31.25	\$77.05	\$37.00	\$135.00

* Please note: The rates of Refuse and C&D materials are currently charged the same. To divert more C&D materials from incoming refuse and reduce landfilled tons, the new rate for C&D is proposed to be less to incentivize customers to increase their separation efforts prior to arriving at the Transfer Station.

** Environmental Compliance fee to be charge of \$3.50 per minimum load and \$5.00 per ton.

Proposed Special Handling Rates:

- a. \$18.00 per set of mattress/box spring (commercial only).
Residents are accepted free and costs are offset by Mattress Recycling Program.

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- b. \$20.00 per automobile tire
- c. \$30.00 per truck tire,
- d. \$48.00 per appliance,
- e. \$35.00 per propane tank,
- g. \$9.00 for three (3) or more electronic items, first two (2) items at no charge,
- f. \$50.00 for 1st occurrence to reload of prohibited materials, \$150 thereafter, and
- g. \$75.00 per occurrence for mixed (not separated) loads.

Impact of CPI since 2009:

From December 2009 through December 2021, inclusive, the CPI for All Urban Consumers for San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward CA¹ has increase 40.83%.



Although not proposed but if this CPI increase were applied to the current rates, the rate increases would be reflected as follows:

- \$48.25 for refuse and C&D Minimum charge,
- \$177.45 for refuse and C&D per ton rate,
- Compostable organics:
 - a. \$32.40 minimum per load charge,
 - b. \$94.35 per ton rate.

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https://data.bls.gov/pdq/SurveyOutputServlet?data_tool=dropmap&series_id=CUURS49BSA0,CUUSS49BSA0

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ANALYSIS OF EXISTING AND ADJACENT RATES:

With both CPI-Urban and offsite processing cost increases in consideration, the Public Works and Zero Waste Division staff also reviewed surrounding area transfer station rates to ensure that the proposed rates are comparable to the Berkeley Transfer Station. The following area transfer stations rates were analyzed:

- Davis Street, located in San Leandro (Alameda Co.) operated by Waste Management, Inc.,
- Gold Bear, located in Richmond (Contra Costa Co.) operated by Republic Services, Inc.,
- Fremont (Alameda Co.), owned by BLT Enterprises, Inc. and operated by Tri-CED,
- Mt. Diablo (Contra Costa Co.), located in Concord and its privately owned, and
- Martinez, owned by Contra Costa County and operated under contract with Republic Services, Inc.

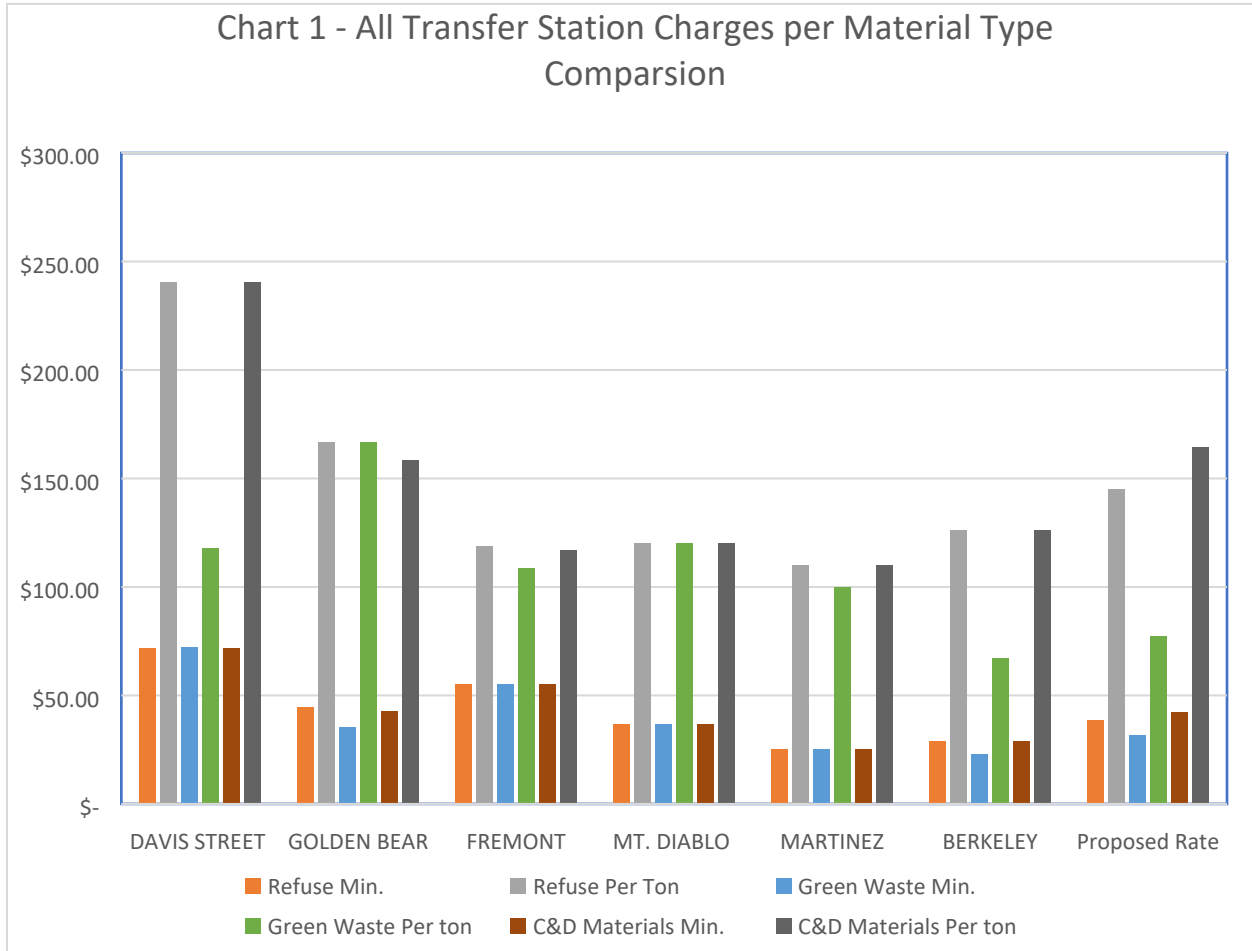
Table 1 – Existing and Proposed Rate Comparison

	Refuse		Green Waste		C&D Materials	
	Min.	Per ton	Min.	Per ton	Min.	Per ton
DAVIS STREET	\$71.54	\$240.27	\$71.96	\$117.84	\$71.54	\$240.27
GOLDEN BEAR Richmond	\$44.26	\$166.75	\$35.40	\$166.75	\$42.45	\$158.35
FREMONT	\$55.00	\$ 18.62	\$55.00	\$108.47	\$55.00	\$116.73
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MARTINEZ	\$25.00	\$110.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$110.00
BERKELEY current	\$29.00	\$126.00	\$23.00	\$67.00	\$29.00	\$126.00
Proposed base	\$38.50	\$149.00	\$27.75	\$72.05	\$33.50	\$130.00
Env. Fee (1)	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00
Proposed Rate	\$42.00	\$154.00	\$31.25	\$77.05	\$37.00	\$135.00

1) Environmental Compliance Fee - \$5.00 per load for minimum charge and \$5.00 per ton.

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The following charts graphically detail the existing rates by material types for those surveyed transfer stations rates and proposed Berkeley rates provided in Chart 1:



As highlighted by the above chart, the current Berkeley rates are lower than the rates charged by Bay Area Transfer Stations especially those closest to Berkeley, which include Davis Street and Golden Bear transfer stations. The following charts provide graphic comparisons of those surveyed transfer stations rates and the proposed rates for the City’s Transfer Station:

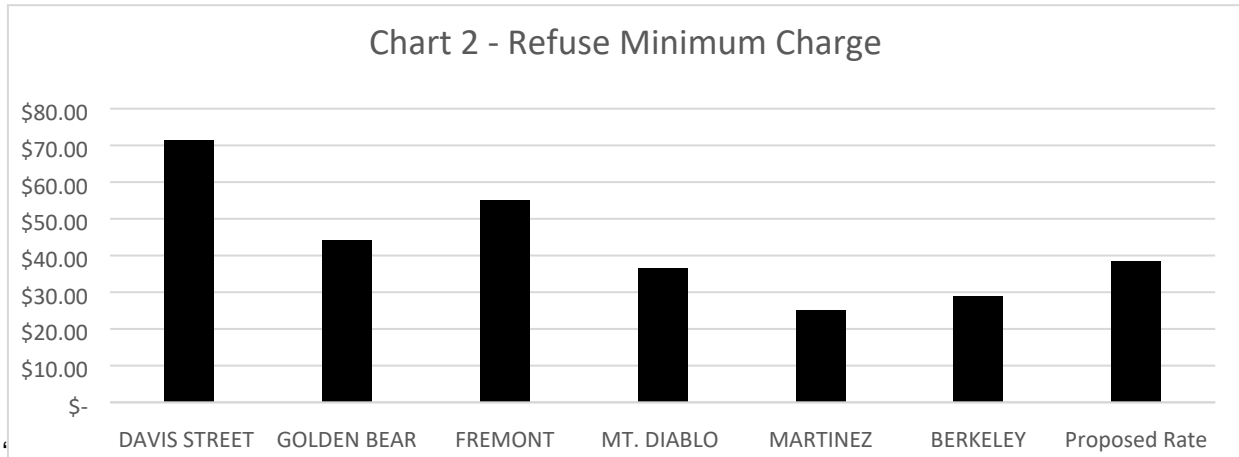
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Refuse Minimum Rate Comparison:

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$ 71.54	\$ 44.26	\$ 55.00	\$ 36.50	\$25.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 42.00*

*includes \$3.50 environmental compliance fee

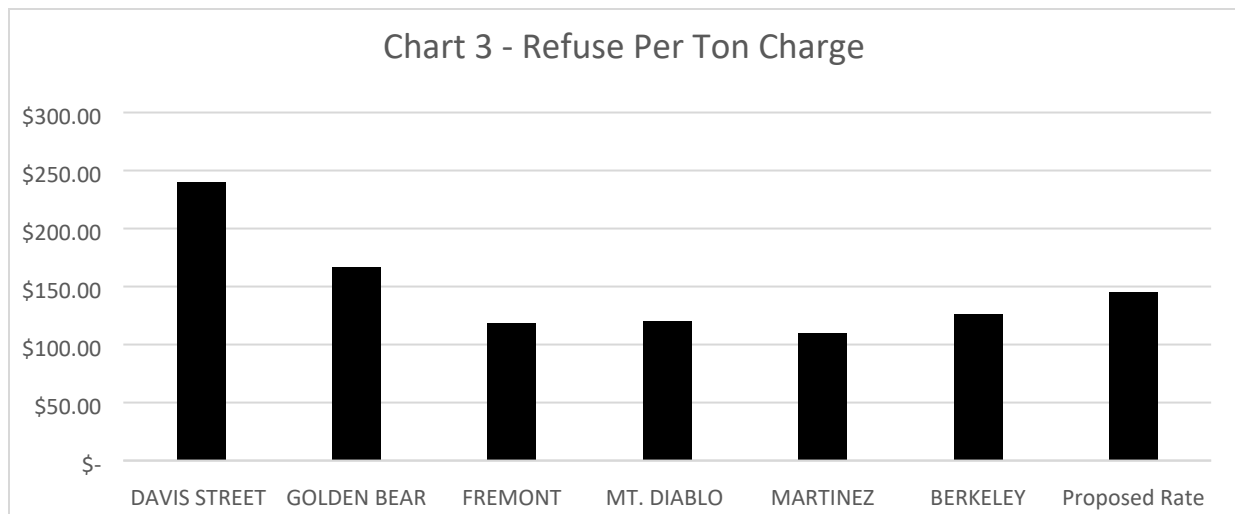
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Refuse Per Ton Comparison:

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$240.27	\$166.75	\$118.62	\$120.25	\$110.00	\$126.00	\$154.00*

*includes \$5.00 environmental compliance fee

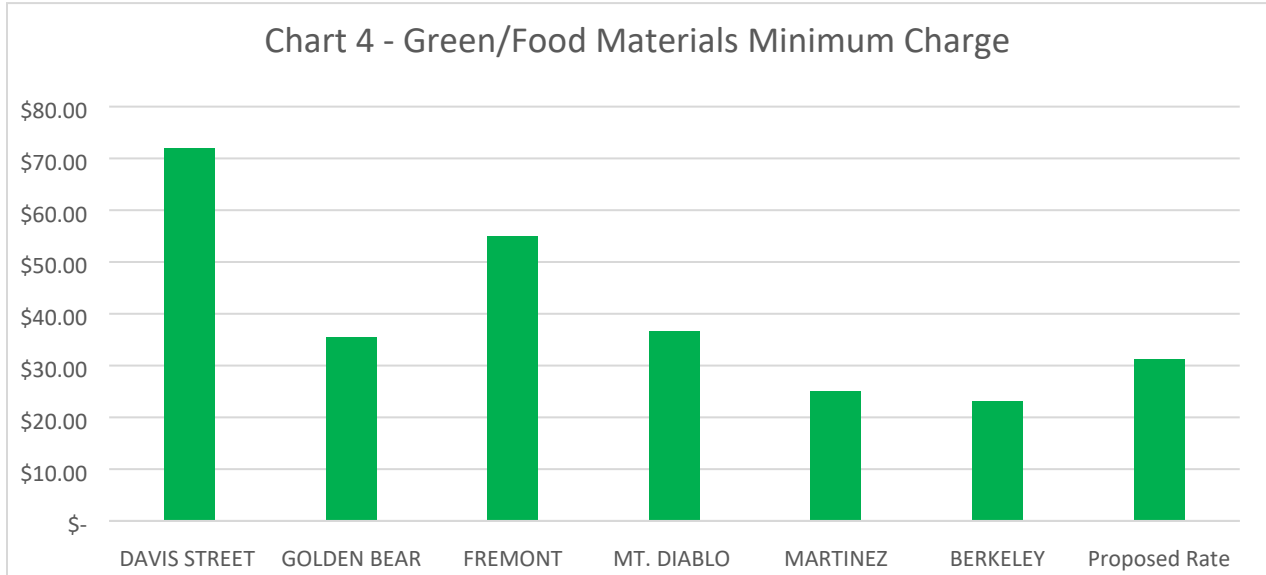


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Organics (compostable) Materials Minimum Charge Comparison (clean loads only):

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$ 71.96	\$ 35.40	\$ 55.00	\$ 36.50	\$25.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 31.25*
					*includes \$3.50 environmental compliance fee	

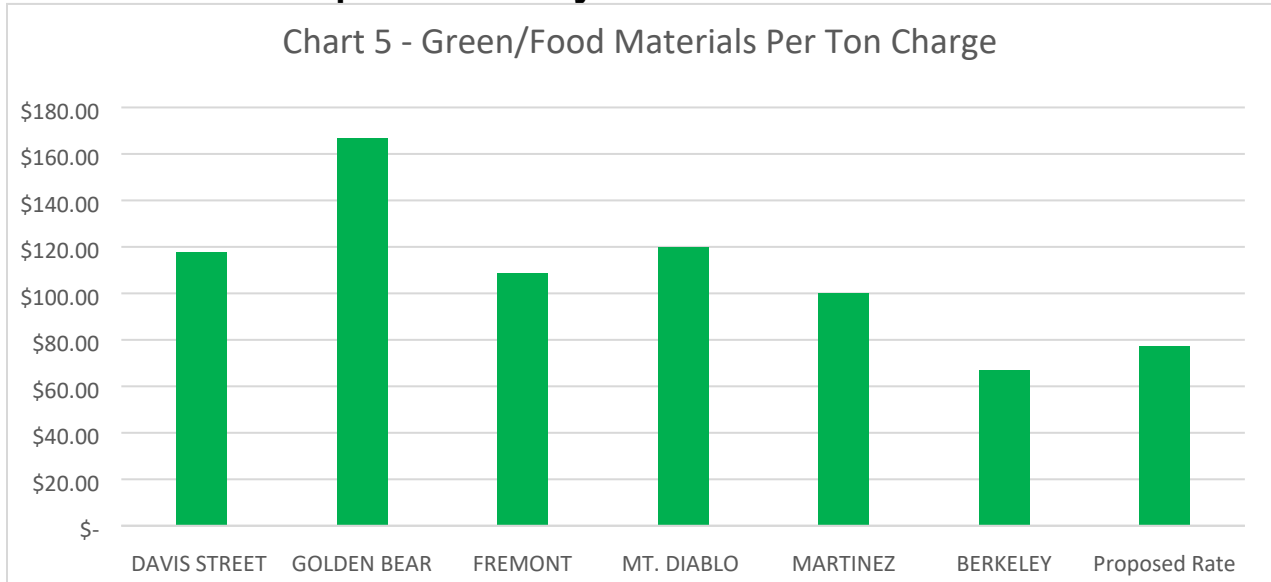
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Organics (compostable) Materials Per Ton Charge (clean loads only):

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$117.84	\$166.75	\$108.47	\$120.00	\$100.00	\$126.00	\$77.05*
					*includes \$5.00 environmental compliance fee	

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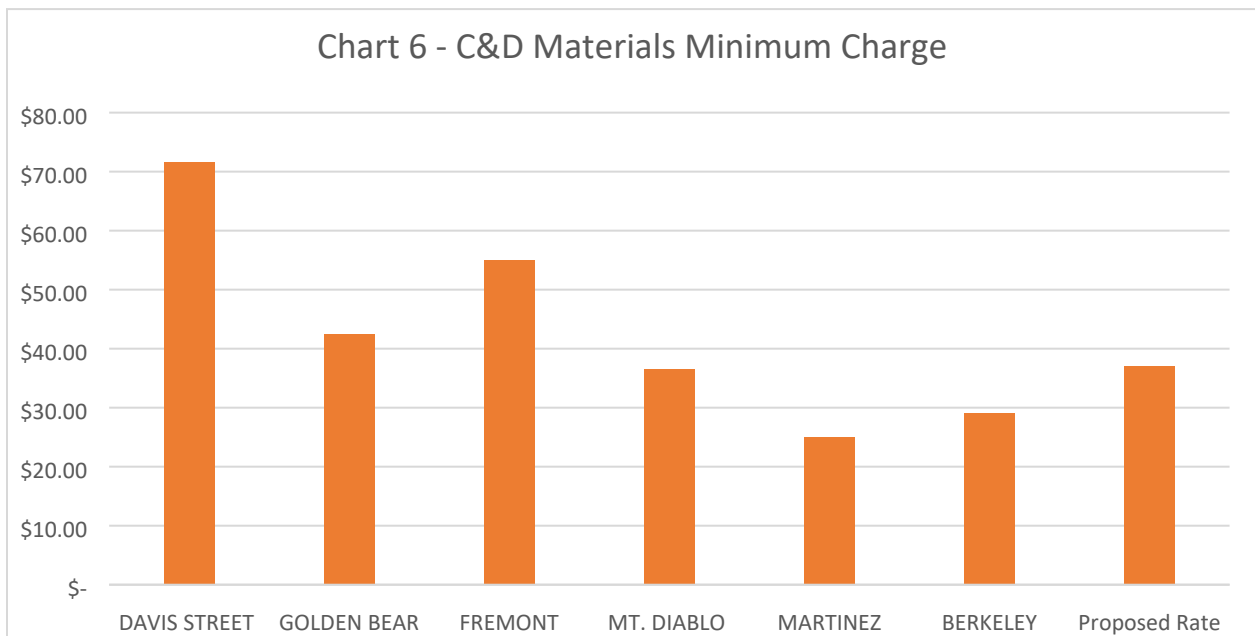


Construction & Demolition (C&D) Materials Minimum Charge Comparison:

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$ 71.96	\$42.44	\$55.00	\$ 36.50	\$25.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 37.00*

*includes \$3.50 environmental compliance fee

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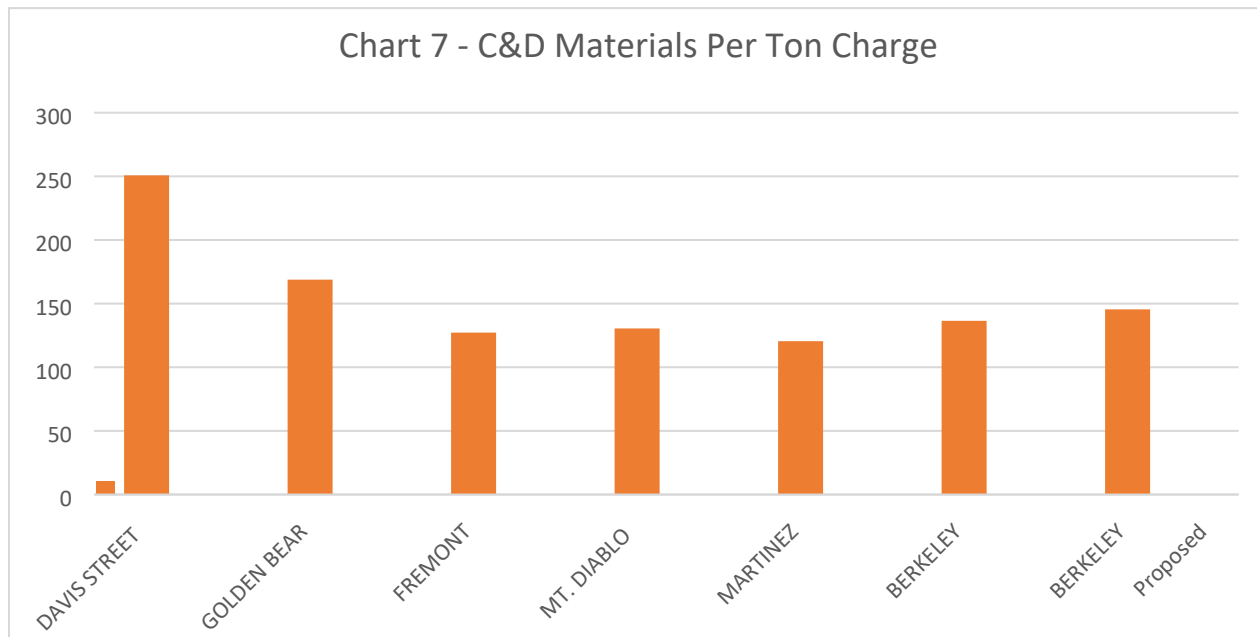


Construction & Demolition (C&D) Materials Per Ton Charge Comparison:

Davis St.	Golden Bear	Fremont	Mt. Diablo	Martinez	Berkeley Current	Berkeley Proposed
\$240.47	\$158.35	\$116.73	\$120.00	\$110.00	\$126.00	\$135.00*

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*includes \$5.00 environmental compliance fee



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY REMOTE VIDEO ONLY**

REVISED TRANSFER STATION RATES

Notice is hereby given by the City Council of the City of Berkeley that a public hearing will be conducted by said City Council of the City of Berkeley at which time and place all persons may attend and be heard upon the following.

The Department of Public Works is proposing to increase the rates, fee and charges for the handling, transfer, and/or recycling of: refuse, construction and demolition, and organic (compostable) materials; environmental compliance and special material handling items at the City of Berkeley Transfer Station. These rates, fees, and charges are proposed to be effective August 1, 2022.

The City is required by law, and in the interest of public health and resource reduction, reuse and recycling, to promote and provide integrated and comprehensive zero waste management services to the City community members. These rates, fees and charges, as adopted by Council Resolution, are estimated to increase FY2023 base rate revenues by approximately \$833,000 and initiate an environmental compliance fee that will generate approximately \$272,000.

Current Rates:

- \$29.00 for minimum per load, 330 pounds or less, for Refuse, which is the same for Construction & Demolition (C&D) materials,
- \$126.00 per ton for Refuse, which is the same for C&D materials,
- \$23.00 minimum per load, 330 pounds of less, for Organics (compostable) Materials,
- \$67.00 per ton for Organics (compostable) Materials,
- Special Material Handling charges:
 - a. \$14.00 per mattresses/box springs (commercial only),
 - b. \$10.00 per automobile tire,
 - c. \$15.00 per truck tire,
 - d. \$43.00 per appliances,
 - e. \$20.00 per propane tank, and
 - f. \$9.00 for three (3) or more electronic items, first two (2) items at no charge.

- 50% surcharge of Refuse Rate on mixed refuse and organics loads (10% or more of organics upon inspection) with \$100.00 maximum charge per transaction.

- Purchase of Prepaid Bags for residential customer use, the rates shall be:
Refuse - \$5.73 per bag.

Compostable Organics - \$2.30 per bag.

Proposed Rates:

An Environmental Compliance Fee for Refuse, Construction and Demolition, and Organics (compostable) materials shall be:

- \$3.50 per minimum load, 330 pounds or less, or
- \$5.00 per ton.

The Base Rate for Refuse shall be:

- \$38.50 per minimum load, 330 pounds or less, or
- \$149.00 per ton.

The Special Materials Handling charges shall be:

- \$18.00 of each set of mattresses/box springs for commercial customers. Residents are accepted free (2 sets or less per day).
- \$20.00 per automobile tire.
- \$30.00 per truck tires truck.
- \$48.00 per appliance, refrigerated and non-refrigerated.
- \$35.00 per propane tank.
- \$9.00 per electronic item with three (3) or more, 1st 2 - items at no charge.
- \$50.00 per reload of prohibited materials, \$150.00 per customers' second occurrence.
- 75% surcharge of refuse base rate on mixed refuse, construction & demolition and organics loads (10% or more of each material type based on visual inspection).

The Base Rate for clean loads of Organic (compostable) Materials shall be:

- \$27.75 per minimum load, 330 pounds or less, or
- \$72.05 per ton.

For the Base Rate for Construction and Demolition Materials shall be:

- \$33.50 per minimum load, 330 pounds or less, or
- \$130.00 per ton.

Purchase of Prepaid Bags for residential customer use only, the rates shall be:

- Refuse - \$7.50 per bag.
- Compostable Organics - \$3.00 per bag.

If Transfer Station scale is inoperable, the pounds per cubic yard conversion ratio shall be 330 pounds to the cubic yard and any estimate of volume will be made to the nearest half cubic yard.

Authorize the City Manager to annually review the base cost rates of refuse, construction and demolition, and organics materials; environmental compliance fee; and

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special material handling charges; and, if required, increase these rates, fee and charges by CPI as needed.

The hearing will be held, on June 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The hearing will be held via videoconference pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and the state declared emergency.

A copy of the agenda material for this hearing will be available on the City’s website at www.CityofBerkeley.info as of June 16, 2022. Once posted, the agenda for this meeting will include a link for public participation using Zoom video technology.

For further information, please contact Greg Apa, Solid Waste & Recycling Manager, at (510) 981-6359.

Written comments should be mailed directly to the City Clerk, 2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704, or emailed to council@cityofberkeley.info in order to ensure delivery to all Councilmembers and inclusion in the agenda packet.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

