



Notice of Public Workshop

San Francisco Residential Refuse Rates – Recology's Final Application for Rate Increase

Recology, the San Francisco refuse collection and processing company, has filed an application for an increase in residential refuse collection and disposal rates for trash, recyclables and compostables (black, blue and green bin services). In its final application, the company is requesting an average residential revenue increase of 23.5 percent. That represents a \$6.60 monthly increase for a typical single-family home. Recology's final application was filed March 14, 2011. If the rate increase is approved, the new rates would go into effect late summer 2013.

Pursuant to the City's 1932 Refuse Collection and Disposal ordinance, the Director of the Department of Public Works is charged with reviewing the rate-adjustment application, holding public hearings, and issuing a report and recommended order on whether the rates are just and reasonable.

The Department of Public Works will host an informational workshop to review the final application with interested members of the public. Representatives from Recology, the Department of Public Works and the Department of the Environment will present an overview of the rate application and take public comment at the workshop:

Thursday, March 21, 2013, 4:00 p.m.
City Hall, Room 421
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Agenda
Introduction of participants
Recology presentation on final rate application
Question period (City, Ratepayer Advocate, Public)

The City has also engaged a ratepayer advocate to assist the public in understanding and commenting on new residential refuse rates; the ratepayer advocate will participate in the workshop and in future hearings. The public is encouraged to contact the ratepayer advocate directly at www.ratepayeradvocatesf.org or by calling (415) 554-6921.

No official action will be taken at the workshop. The Director of Public Works will hold a series of public hearings on the final rate application beginning in April, and will issue a report and recommended order in June. Watch for additional notices for the Director's hearings.

For more information go to www.sfdpw.org/refuserates or call 311.

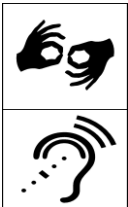
Accessible Meeting Information

City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102



A Public Workshop will be held at City Hall, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 421. Accessible seating for persons with disabilities, including those using wheelchairs will be available.

The closest accessible BART Station is Civic Center, located at the intersection of Market and 8th Streets, three blocks from City Hall. Accessible MUNI lines serving this location are the 42 Downtown Loop, the 71 Haight/Noriega, the F-Line to Market Street and Van Ness Avenue, and the Metro Stations at Van Ness Avenue and Market Street and Civic Center. For more information about MUNI accessible services, call 923-6142. Accessible curbside parking has been designated in the vicinity of the Veterans Building adjacent to Davies Hall and the War Memorial Veterans Building.



Workshop information will be made available in alternative formats when requested. If you require the use of a reader during the meeting, American Sign Language interpreters, and/or a sound enhancement system, please call DPW's Accessibility Access Coordinator at 557-4685 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

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