

(R-2025-590)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- **316259**DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 16 2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT APPROVAL OF A SOLID  
WASTE MANAGEMENT FEE AND FEE SCHEDULE IS  
STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA  
GUIDELINES SECTION 15273.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

A. The Council will consider approval of a cost-recovery fee for City-provided solid waste management services, including, waste, recycling, and organic waste collection services, known as a "solid waste management fee," and adoption of a fee schedule for Fiscal Years 2026 through 2029 (Project).

B. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), California Public Resources Code (Code) sections 21000 through 21189.91, provides in Code section 21083 that the California Office of Planning and Research will promulgate, and the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency will adopt, guidelines for implementation of CEQA. The California Office of Planning and Research promulgated, and the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency adopted, the guidelines for implementation of CEQA set forth in Title 14 California Code of Regulations sections 15000 through 15387 (CEQA Guidelines).

C. Code section 21084 requires the CEQA Guidelines to include a list of classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and are

exempt from the provisions of CEQA. CEQA Guidelines sections 15260 through 15285 list the statutory CEQA exemptions promulgated by the California State Legislature.

D. The Council has considered the written record related to the Project and all public comments about the potential environmental effects of the Project. The Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project is statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA Guidelines section 15273 (Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges) because it involves the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges by public agencies that the public agency finds are for the purpose of: (1) meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits; (2) purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials; (3) meeting reserve needs and requirements; or (4) obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas.

E. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff (including information provided by affected third parties and verified by City staff), with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

#### ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The Project is statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA Guidelines section 15273.
2. The City Clerk or designee is directed to file a Notice of Exemption in accordance

with CEQA regarding the Project with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for the County of San Diego and the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By Nicole M. Denow  
Nicole M. Denow  
Senior Deputy City Attorney

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May 22, 2025  
Or. Dept: ESD  
Doc. No.: 4069377

I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on  
JUN 09 2025

DIANA J.S. FUENTES  
City Clerk

By Connie Patterson  
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 6/12/2025  
(date)

Todd Gloria  
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on JUN 09 2025, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Henry L. Foster III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kent Lee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage JUN 16 2025.

**(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)**

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA  
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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DIANA J.S. FUENTES  
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Linda Jwin, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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