

# **City Council Report**

**Date**: May 4, 2015

**To**: City Council

**Through**: John Pombier, Deputy City Manager

From: Patrick Murphy, Interim Solid Waste Director

**Subject**: Solid Waste Residential Development Fee

Strategic Initiatives





# **Purpose and Recommendation**

The purpose of this City Council report is to recommend an increase to the Solid Waste Residential Development Fee for single-residence attached and detached dwelling units. This fee increase is being recommended to cover the cost of delivering and purchasing trash and recycle containers. We have determined the current fee is not sufficient enough to cover the delivery and cost of new trash and recycle containers.

### **Background, Discussion, and Recommendations**

Solid Waste provides trash services for all residential customers in the City of Mesa. In order to service our single-residence attached and detached dwelling units, we provide one 90-gallon blue barrel, one 90-gallon black barrel and a small in-home container to each resident. At the current rate, Solid Waste is not covering the cost to purchase and deliver the trash and recycle containers. In order to recover the cost of the delivery and purchase of the trash and recycle containers, it is our recommendation to increase the Solid Waste Residential Development Fee.

#### **Alternatives**

One alternative is to leave the fee as it currently exists. However, Staff recommends increasing the fee in order to recover our costs.

## Fiscal Impact

Increasing this fee will result in an annual revenue increase of approximately \$30,000. This will cover the cost of the purchase and delivery of the trash and recycle containers and necessary residential collection vehicles.

#### Concurrence

The above information will be presented at a Developer's Forum meeting.