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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

BUREAU OF SANITATION
BOARD REPORT NO. 1
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AUTHORITY TO ADJUST GATE RATES AT THE CENTRAL LOS ANGELES
RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION FOR 2025

RECOMMENDATION

1. Authorize the Director and General Manager of LA Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) to adjust the gate fee rates at the Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station (CLARTS), upon execution.

TRANSMITTALS

1. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 1, adopted December 10, 2021, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.
2. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 1, adopted March 1, 2023, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.
3. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 1, adopted January 10, 2024, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.

DISCUSSION

BACKGROUND

LASAN is responsible for the curbside collection of municipal solid waste (MSW) from more than 740,000 single family residences and apartment complexes of four (4) units or less. Approximately 2,400 tons per day (tpd) of refuse (black bin material, primarily from South Los Angeles, North Central, and West Los Angeles wastesheds), 300 tpd of yard trimmings (green waste), and 310 tpd of commercial waste are transferred through CLARTS. CLARTS has a permitted capacity of transferring up to 4,025 tpd of solid waste.

On April 23, 2004, the City of Los Angeles (City) Council adopted the Environmental Quality & Waste Management and Personnel Committees' report recommending approval of gate rates for the transfer, hauling, and disposal of non-City collected solid waste to be adjusted on an as-needed basis to achieve and maintain full cost recovery. Approximately 310 tpd of refuse is received from private and commercial customers, which is charged the prevailing gate rates for waste handling and disposal at private sites.

Each year LASAN performs a financial analysis to calculate the operating cost per ton at CLARTS for private and commercial customers. The analysis accounts for but is not limited to: City employees' salaries, benefits, operating equipment and supplies, as well as hauling fees, a community amenities fee, a reserve for capital projects, private security costs, and landfill disposal fees. The cost analysis assesses the gate rate fee that needs to be charged in order for the City to recover all costs.

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Due to a Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase in hauling rates, escalation in landfill disposal fees, and increased facility operational costs of approximately 15%, gate rates at CLARTS will need to be adjusted for commercial and private customers to recover these costs. Stated below are previous adjusted gate rates (Transmittals 1, 2, and 3), the current rate, and proposed rate (Table 1).

Table 1: Gate Rate Changes

Period	1/1/22 - 3/31/23	4/1/23 - 2/8/24	2/9/24- Present	Proposed
Type of Service	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)
<i>MSW</i>	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00
<i>Difficult to Handle Waste</i>	\$85.00	\$89.00	\$93.00	\$97.00

The proposed gate rate will increase \$4.00 for each type of service in the table above, thus the prices will be \$87.00/ton for MSW, and \$97.00/ton for difficult to handle waste. The proposed gate rates are presented to the Board for consideration and approval, and are to be effective 30 days following board approval. A 30-day notice will be posted for customers prior to the effective date. Future rate adjustments will continue to be made on an as-needed basis to achieve full cost recovery.

PROJECT REVIEW BY DIRECTOR (PRD) APPROVAL

PRD is not required for this authority request.

STATUS OF FINANCING

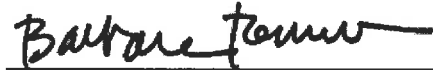
There is no impact to the General Fund. Revenues will be deposited into the Fund No. 47R, Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station Trust Fund, Department No. 50, Revenue Source 442301 (Private Transfer Station Fees).

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Executive Director
Board of Public Works**AUTHORITY TO ADJUST GATE RATES AT THE CENTRAL LOS ANGELES
RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION FOR 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

1. Authorize the Director and General Manager of LA Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) or designee to adjust the gate fee rates at the Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station (CLARTS), starting January 1, 2022.

TRANSMITTALS

1. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 2, adopted December 19, 2018, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.
2. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 1, adopted December 18, 2019, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.
3. Copy of LASAN Board Report No. 1, adopted January 29, 2021, authorizing to adjust gate rates of Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station.

DISCUSSION**BACKGROUND**

LASAN is responsible for the curbside collection of municipal solid waste (MSW) from more than 750,000 single family residences and apartment complexes of four (4) units or less. LASAN currently collects approximately 3,600 tons per day (tpd) of refuse (black bin) and 1,800 tpd of yard trimmings (green waste). Approximately 2,400 tpd of refuse (primarily from South Los Angeles, North Central, and West Los Angeles), 300 tpd of yard trimmings, and 310 tpd of commercial waste are transferred through the Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station (CLARTS). CLARTS has a permitted capacity of transferring up to 4,025 tpd of solid waste.

On April 23, 2004, the City of Los Angeles (City) Council adopted the Environmental Quality & Waste Management and Personnel Committees' report recommending approval of gate rates for the transfer, hauling, and disposal of non-City collected solid waste to be adjusted on an as-needed basis to achieve and maintain full cost recovery. Since January 2021, approximately 310 tpd of refuse has been received from private and commercial customers, who are charged the prevailing gate rates for waste handling and disposal at private sites.

Due to a 3.99% increase in Consumer Price Index (CPI) in hauling rates, 14.25% increase in the Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) rates, increased CLARTS' operations and maintenance costs, gate rates at CLARTS will need to be adjusted to recover these costs. Stated below are previous adjusted gate rates (Transmittals 1, 2, and 3), the current rate, and proposed rate (**Table 1**).

Table 1: Gate Rate Changes

Period	1/1/19 - 12/31/19	1/1/20 - 12/31/20	1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Proposed
Type of Service	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)
MSW	\$62.00	\$70.49	\$73.00	\$75.00
Difficult to Handle Waste	\$72.00	\$80.49	\$83.00	\$85.00

The proposed gate rate will increase \$2.00 for each type of service in the table above, thus the prices will be \$75.00/ton for MSW, and \$85.00/ton for difficult to handle waste (items that require the assistance of CLARTS staff and equipment to unload). The proposed gate rates are presented to the Board for consideration and approval, to be effective January 1, 2022, or upon execution, whichever comes later. Future rate adjustments will continue to be made on an as-needed basis to achieve full cost recovery.

STATUS OF FINANCING

There is no impact to the General Fund. Revenue will be deposited into the Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station Fund No. 47R, Departmental Revenue Source 442301, Private Transfer Station Fees.

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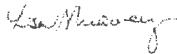
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***Amend Recommendation # 1- New Rates to go into effect on April 1, 2023.**

TRANSMITTAL NO. 2
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AUTHORITY TO ADJUST GATE RATES AT THE CENTRAL LOS ANGELES RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION FOR 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Authorize the Director and General Manager of LA Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) to adjust the gate fee rates at the Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station (CLARTS), ~~starting January 1, 2023.~~ ***The new rates shall go into effect on April 1, 2023.**

TRANSMITTALS

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On April 23, 2004, the City of Los Angeles (City) Council adopted the Environmental Quality & Waste Management and Personnel Committees' report recommending approval of gate rates for the transfer, hauling, and disposal of non-City collected solid waste to be adjusted on an as-needed basis to achieve and maintain full cost recovery. Approximately 310 tpd of refuse is received from private and commercial customers, which is charged the prevailing gate rates for waste handling and disposal at private sites.

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Due to a Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase in hauling rates of five percent (5%) along with an average increase of twenty-eight percent (28%) in fuel costs, six percent (6%) escalation in landfill disposal fees, and increased security costs at the facility, gate rates at CLARTS will need to be adjusted commercial and private customers to recover these costs. Stated below are previous adjusted gate rates (Transmittals 1, 2, and 3), the current rate, and proposed rate (**Table 1**).

Table 1: Gate Rate Changes

Period	1/1/20 - 12/31/20	1/1/21 - 12/31/21	1/1/22 - 12/31/22 (Current)	2023 (Proposed)
Type of Service	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)
MSW	\$70.49	\$73.00	\$75.00	\$79.00
<i>Difficult to Handle Waste</i>	\$80.49	\$83.00	\$85.00	\$89.00

The proposed gate rate will increase \$4.00 for each type of service in the table above, thus the prices will be \$79.00/ton for MSW, and \$89.00/ton for difficult to handle waste. The proposed gate rates are presented to the Board for consideration and approval, to be effective upon execution. Future rate adjustments will continue to be made on an as-needed basis to achieve full cost recovery.

PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR (PRC/PRD) APPROVAL

No PRC/PRD is needed due to no funds being expended.

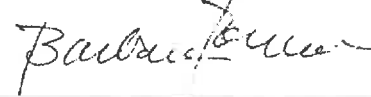
STATUS OF FINANCING

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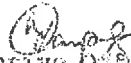
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RECOMMENDATION

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- *2. Instruct the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation to report back in 60 days on the ability to increase fees for the LA Community Amenities Trust Fund, since the fees have not been increased in 20 years.

TRANSMITTALS

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Table 1: Gate Rate Changes

Period	1/1/21 - 12/31/21	1/1/22 - 03/31/23	04/1/23 - 12/31/23	2024 Proposed
Type of Service	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)	Gate Rate (\$/ton)
MSW	\$73.00	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00
Difficult to Handle Waste	\$83.00	\$85.00	\$89.00	\$93.00

The proposed gate rate will increase \$4.00 for each type of service in the table above, thus the prices will be \$83.00/ton for MSW, and \$93.00/ton for difficult to handle waste. The proposed gate rates are presented to the Board for consideration and approval, and are to be effective on January 1, 2024, or thirty (30) days following board approval, whichever comes later. A thirty (30)-day notice will be posted for customers prior to the effective date. Future rate adjustments will continue to be made on an as-needed basis to achieve full cost recovery.

PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR (PRC/PRD) APPROVAL

No PRC/PRD is needed due to no funds being expended.

STATUS OF FINANCING

There is no impact to the General Fund. Revenue will be deposited into Fund No. 47R Central Los Angeles Recycling Transfer Station Trust Fund, Department 50, Departmental Revenue Source 442301, Private Transfer Station Fees.

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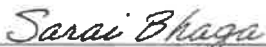
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