

See AO 2011-120(S)

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AO No. 2011-120**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING  
ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 26.80 TO INCREASE TIPPING FEES  
FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL.**

**THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:**

**Section 1.** Anchorage Municipal Code section 26.80.050 is hereby amended to read as follows (*the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out*):

**26.80.050 Charges.**

A. *Fee schedule for secured loads.* The following solid waste disposal user charges shall apply to secured loads:

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4. Except as provided in section 26.80.055 or subsection A.6 of this section, at a solid waste transfer or disposal facility that has operational scales, each user who does not meet the requirements of subsections A.1 through A.3 of this section shall have their load weighed and pay the greater of \$15.00 per load or \$55.00 [\$50.00] per ton at the solid waste disposal facility and the greater of \$20.00 per load or \$65.00 [\$60.00] per ton at a solid waste transfer facility.

5. At a solid waste transfer or disposal facility that does not have operational scales, each user who does not meet the requirements of subsections A.1 through A.3 of this section shall pay \$9.00 [\$6.00] per cubic yard of non-compacted solid waste or \$18.00 [\$12.00] per cubic yard of compacted solid waste as measured by the facility attendant.

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AO No. 82-224; AO No. 83-196; AO No. 83-221; AO No. 85-9; AO No. 86-203, 1-9-87; AO No. 87-19, 4-1-87; AO No. 89-2; AO No. 93-96(S), § 1, 5-11-93; AO No. 96-18(S), § 1, 4-9-96; AO No. 96-100, § 1, 1-1-96; AO No. 99-107, § 1, 8-10-99; AO No. 2003-76, § 1, 5-13-03; AO No. 2005-13, § 2, 2-15-05; AO No. 2007-146(S), § 2, 4-1-08; AO No. 2008-83, § 1, 4-1-09; AO No. 2010-81(S-1), § 34, 12-7-10, eff. 1-1-11)

Editor's note: Effective April 1, 2009, subsection A.6. of this section is deleted pursuant to AO 2008-83, § 1.

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**Section 2.** This ordinance shall be effective on April 1, 2012.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Summary of Economic Effects -- Utilities**

AO Number: 2011-120

Title: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER  
 26.80 TO INCREASE TIPPING FEES FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Sponsor: Mayor Sullivan  
 Preparing Agency: Solid Waste Services Disposal Utility  
 Others Impacted: Solid Waste Services Refuse Collection Utility

<b>CHANGES IN REVENUES AND EXPENSES:</b>		<b>(In Thousands of Dollars)</b>				
	<b>F12</b>	<b>F13</b>	<b>F14</b>	<b>F15</b>	<b>F16</b>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>	\$ 1,134	\$ 1,401	\$ 1,401	\$ 1,401	\$ 1,401	
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 1,134</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Non-Operating Revenues:</b>						
<b>TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Non-Operating Expenses:</b>						
<b>TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>NET INCOME (REGULATED)</b>	<b>\$ 1,134</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,401</b>	
<b>POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

The proposed increase in tipping fees will allow SWS Disposal to continue to provide services at the current level and fund future landfill infrastructure.

The tipping fee rate increase will also impact SWS Refuse Collection by increasing its operating expenses for disposal fees. The increase in 2012 operating expense for Refuse Collection is estimated to be \$140,300, while in 2013 the increase is estimated to be \$187,130, with a full year of the rate increase.

**PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

Beginning April 1, 2012, Solid Waste Services Disposal tipping fees will increase by \$5 per ton for commercial waste haulers such as Alaska Waste. Increased operating costs will likely be passed along to its customers.

SWS estimates the effect on residential customers will be less than \$1 dollar per month. Although commercial (dumpster) garbage rates will be dependent upon volume and frequency of service, SWS estimates the increase will be proportional to the 8% rate increase at the Central Transfer Station.

Final rates for the private sector will be set by the commercial garbage hauler and approved by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska or other regulatory body. The effective date of the ordinance is April 1, 2012 to allow for proper regulatory action.

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# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 687-2011

Meeting Date: November 22, 2011

1 **From: MAYOR**

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3 **Subject: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY**  
4 **AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 26.80 TO**  
5 **INCREASE TIPPING FEES FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL.**

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7 The Solid Waste Services Department (SWS) requests a rate increase of \$5.00 per  
8 ton on all weighed trash delivered to the Anchorage Regional Landfill and Central  
9 Transfer Station. Revised tipping fees at these locations will be \$55.00 per ton and  
10 \$65.00 per ton respectively. Equivalent rates expressed on a cubic yard basis are  
11 also set in the event of a significant failure of the scales at either facility.

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13 Revenues generated by this increase will be used by the Solid Waste Disposal  
14 Utility to offset rising operating costs and to help fund capital projects. The Utility  
15 must construct significant infrastructure at the Anchorage Regional Landfill with a  
16 projected cost of \$38 million over the next eight years.

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18 This rate increase will be born primarily by commercial waste haulers, including the  
19 Municipal Refuse Collection Utility, Alaska Waste and others. Increased operating  
20 costs which result from this tipping fee increase will likely be passed along to their  
21 customers as increased garbage collection costs. SWS expects residential garbage  
22 rates will increase by less than \$1 per month. Commercial garbage rates will be  
23 dependent on the volume and frequency of service but likely proportional to the rate  
24 increase at the Transfer Station (8%). Final rates will be set by the commercial  
25 hauler and approved by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska or other regulatory  
26 body. This ordinance does not become effective until April 1, 2012 to allow for  
27 proper regulatory action.

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30 **THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE OF**  
31 **THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE**  
32 **MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 26.80 TO INCREASE TIPPING FEES FOR SOLID**  
33 **WASTE DISPOSAL.**

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37 Concur: Dennis A. Wheeler, Municipal Attorney  
38 Concur: George J. Vakalis, Municipal Manager  
39 Respectfully submitted: Daniel A. Sullivan, Mayor