



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOLOGY'S PROPOSED SOLID WASTE CHARGE INCREASE

**NOVEMBER 22, 2011 AT 7:30 P.M.  
CITY OF BELMONT COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ONE TWIN PINES LANE, BELMONT**

Recology provides collection services for refuse, recyclable materials, and compostable materials under a ten-year franchise agreement with the City. Under the franchise agreement, Recology submits its rate proposal to the City Council for approval annually. Recology's rates are strictly limited, and may not exceed a maximum rate that is based on a set formula as provided in the franchise agreement.

The progressive rates, whereby larger users pay more, along with Recology's expanded recycling programs and the public education programs, provided by both Recology and South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA), worked very well. As a consequence, a significant number of customers migrated to a lower service level (i.e., downsizing from a 64 gallon black trash cart to a 32 gallon black trash cart), which resulted in less revenue due to Recology under their agreement.

Recology has proposed a 22.26% increase to the current rates. 1.12% of this increase is related to Recology's cost components including disposal, fuel, and wages. The balance of the increase, 21.14%, is related to the shift in customer classes discussed above. This migration component is only applicable to the 2012 and 2013 rates.

A table of Recology's proposed 2012 Maximum Rates is included on the back of this notice. A complete table of all proposed rates, including commercial rates, can be found on the City's website at [www.belmont.gov](http://www.belmont.gov).

A Public Hearing will be held on November 22, 2011 at 7:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers located at One Twin Pines Lane, Belmont, to hear and consider all oral and written testimony concerning Recology's proposed Maximum Rates. **If you oppose the proposed rate changes, you may submit a formal written protest at the hearing or, via postal mail or hand delivery, to the City Clerk's office. A formal written protest must be submitted in writing, contain a description of the property (street address) and include the original signature of the property owner or solid waste customer (fax or e-mail is not acceptable).** Protests will be tabulated pursuant to procedures that have been adopted by the City Council. These procedures are available online within the Hot Topics Menu at [www.belmont.gov](http://www.belmont.gov). If written protests are submitted with respect to a majority (50% plus 1) of the affected parcels within the City, then the proposed changes will not be approved. Protests may be mailed to:

City Clerk  
City of Belmont  
One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375  
Belmont, CA 94002

**Questions?** If you have any questions regarding the proposed rates, please contact Recology at (650) 595-3900.

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**CITY OF BELMONT REFUSE COLLECTION**  
**PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF COMMON SOLID WASTE RATES**  
**(Visit [www.belmont.gov](http://www.belmont.gov) for Complete Schedule)**

<u>Garbage Cart Size</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate on 1/1/2012<sup>1</sup></u>
20-gallon Cart	\$ 15.17	\$ 18.55
32-gallon Cart	\$ 25.12	\$ 30.71
64-gallon Cart	\$ 55.35	\$ 67.67
96-gallon Cart	\$ 89.48	\$ 109.40

<sup>1</sup> Residential customers are billed a quarterly amount (three times the monthly rate shown) and based upon their Garbage Cart size.

The monthly rate above includes the following:

- 1 Garbage Cart provided to customer
- Curbside Household Hazardous Waste Collection
- 1 64 Gallon Recycling Cart and 1 96 Gallon Yard Waste Cart

<u>Garbage Bin Size/Frequency</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate on 1/1/2012<sup>2</sup></u>
1-Yard Bin, 1 time per week	\$ 142.74	\$ 174.51
1-Yard Bin, 2 times per week	\$ 290.59	\$ 355.27
2-Yard Bin, 1 time per week	\$ 287.12	\$ 351.03
2-Yard Bin, 2 times per week	\$ 578.94	\$ 707.80
3-Yard Bin, 1 times per week	\$ 433.03	\$ 529.41
4-Yard Bin, 1 times per week	\$ 591.11	\$ 722.68
6-Yard Bin, 1 times per week	\$ 908.10	\$ 1,111.45

<sup>2</sup> The monthly rate above includes the following:

- 1 Garbage Bin
- Recycling container at customer's requested size

<u>Compactor</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate on 1/1/2012<sup>3</sup></u>
Per yard pulled monthly	\$ 79.99	\$ 97.79

<sup>3</sup> The monthly rate above includes the following:

- Recycling container at customer's requested size



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