

City of Caldwell, Idaho
Sanitation/Solid Waste Fees and Policies
RESOLUTION NO. 346-25

WHEREAS, The City provides sanitation services by and through its contracted agent; and

WHEREAS, Said contract as entered into on April 16th, 2024 and effective through September 30th, 2033, calls for annual price adjustments based on the West Urban: All Items Index of the Consumer Price Index as published by the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; and

WHEREAS, Fee adjustments based on the CPI shall take effect every year on October 1st, throughout the duration of the sanitation service contract term; and

WHEREAS, said contract includes recycling for all customers which has become effective April 1st, 2024;

I. Garbage Collection Fees

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that based on the election of Republic Services and the current contract, which was executed by City Council on April 16th 2024, the sanitation/solid waste disposal and garbage collection fees (also to include recycling for all customers) was established and shall adjust annually to match the CPI beginning October 1, 2025, as outlined in City Resolution No. 147-24 in Exhibit B.

II. Compactor Usage

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Caldwell, via its contractor may provide compactor(s) for areas where activated public space makes exterior trash cart storage unsightly or impractical.

1. When a compactor is provided, users unable to store their own trash containers within their own building, site (exclusive of right-of-way), or property shall be required to utilize the compactor rather than using a trash cart or use a trash cart with the compactor (typically equipped with a cart dumper). If users retain a trash cart, they are required (as in the plaza block) to store the cart in an interior location shielded from public view within their own property.
2. Users may also be given the opportunity to stage dumpsters, by arrangement with the City's contractor, if desired at locations away from activated public space so designated by the City. Dumpsters are not allowed in public right-of-way, public space, or in areas not designated for dumpster staging. The Director of Public Works or the assigned Deputy Public Works

Director is hereby authorized to cancel such trash service accounts as may conflict with this policy.

3. Compactor and Compactor Enclosure

- a. Carts, and open trash bags may not be stored in Compactor enclosures.
- b. Grease storage bins may be stored in compactor storage bins by arrangement if:
 - i. The user takes responsibility for cleaning up spills and keeping the receptacle in a neat, clean, and orderly way.
- c. Penalties
 - i. Fines will be levied for the following unless the Public Works Director or his designee finds that the fine should not be levied:
 1. Placement of excessive liquid in the compactor (this makes the haul charges more and impacts all users)
 2. Leaving bags of trash or boxes in the enclosure without placing them in the respective trash or recycling compactors.
 3. Leaving free trash or trash in torn bags in the enclosure
 4. Placing trash in the recycle receptacles or compactors (which can contaminate the recyclable material and negate potential commodity value)
- d. When Grease storage bins are staged in compactor enclosures or on a public way the user must keep the staging area clean and mitigate spills or leakage. Users may be assessed a fee for steam cleaning of compactor enclosures or other staging areas.
- e. In the Downtown Core where compactors for trash and recycling are provided, any value of the recycling commodity shall be used to reduce and diminish the cost of compactor rental to those opting to and/or required to use the compactors for their trash service.

4. Special Fees and Fines

- a. Fines related to the compactor enclosure shall be \$209.80 for each offence.
 - i. More egregious offences that show open negligence such as free trash or torn bags left in the enclosure will be assessed a double fine.
- b. Cleaning Fee – the cleaning fee for grease areas where grease receptacles are stored shall be at the loaded time and material cost for doing such work but shall not be less than \$150 and shall not exceed \$350.

Man time and resources necessary to keep the enclosure clean and maintained impact the

costs and fees associated with compactors. This section is intended to discourage and penalize misuse to minimize costs to the compactor users and prevent the unfair imposition of additional costs arising from misuse.

5. Surveillance

- a. It is hereby noted that surveillance footage will be used to the greatest extent possible to determine users responsibility for fees or fines. Photographic evidence or the testimony of witnesses will also be relied upon to penalize violators of this section.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE

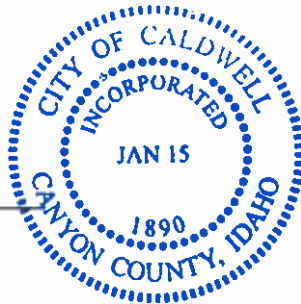
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all sanitation/solid waste/garbage collection fees prescribed herein are in effect and shall continue on the first day of October, 2026 as set forth in Section I. above and that all such fees established by earlier resolution are hereby repealed.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL of the City of Caldwell, this 15th day of September , 2025.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR of the City of Caldwell, this 15th day of September, 2025.

ATTEST:

City Clerk



Mayor

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Wagoner and Members of Council
From: Robb MacDonald, PE, Public Works Director
Ashley Newbry, PE, Deputy Public Works Director
Bruce Mills, PE, Deputy Public Works Director
Hallie Hart, PE, City Engineer
Re: Sanitation
Date: September 15, 2025

The proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget includes cost increases in the Sanitation funds as well as the Engineering and Mapping Divisions. **These fees shall be effective starting October 1st, 2025.** A brief explanation of each fee change follows:

1. **Sanitation Fees** – Pursuant to the contract adopted by City Council on April 16th, 2024, the collection fees have been established and are set to match the change in the Consumer Price Index (the CPI) for All Urban Consumers (Garbage/Trash Collection Services) U.S. City Average, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics. CPI adjustments shall be applied every April for the duration of the Contract.

Those fees that are new or exceed 5% of the fee previously collected are subject to the notice and hearing procedures outlined in Idaho Code, Section 63-1311A. Hearings will be held on the date of consideration by the Council and have been noticed in accordance with Idaho Code.

The attached resolution would modify the fee schedules as proposed with an October 1, 2025 effective date.