AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING ( ) Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Community Development Department

SUBJECT: **Request to Establish Curbside Recycling Rate**

Background: Beginning July 1, 2026, as part of Oregon's Recycling Modernization Act, cities with a population over 4,000 people are required to provide curbside recycling service for residents inside city limits and urban growth areas. Waste Connections (DBA Sanitary Disposal, Inc. and Pendleton Sanitary, Inc.), having a solid waste franchise in Umatilla County, proposes to establish a rate for new curbside recycling services within the respective franchise service areas. If approved, the rate would be effective July 1, 2026 and would apply to all customers within the franchise service area, regardless of whether or not the customer participates in curbside recycling. The following rate for curbside recycling was recommended for approval by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee at their meeting on February 23, 2026: ***Sanitary Disposal, Inc.*** $8.00 per month for every-other-week residential (single-family) curbside recycling service $24.00 per month for every-other-week multi-family curbside recycling service ***Pendleton Sanitary, Inc.*** $8.00 per month for every-other-week residential (single-family) curbside recycling service	Requested Action: The Board of Commissioners are required to review the recommendation of the SWAC, and by order, grant, deny, or modify the proposed rate.

ATTACHMENTS: BCC Packet

Date: (03/18/26) Submitted By: Robert Waldher, Director

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To be notified of Meeting:
Robert Waldher

Needed at Meeting:

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Scheduled for meeting on: March 18, 2026

Action taken:

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Follow-up:

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PUBLIC TRANSIT

MEMO

TO: Umatilla County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Robert Waldher, Community Development Director
DATE: March 11, 2026

RE: Request to Establish Rate
Applicants - Pendleton Sanitary, Inc. & Sanitary Disposal, Inc.

Background Information

Beginning July 1, 2026, as part of Oregon's Recycling Modernization Act, cities with a population over 4,000 people are required to provide curbside recycling service for residents inside city limits and urban growth areas. Waste Connections (DBA Sanitary Disposal, Inc. and Pendleton Sanitary, Inc.), having a solid waste franchise in Umatilla County, proposes to establish a rate for new curbside recycling services within the respective franchise service areas. If approved, the rate would be effective July 1, 2026 and would apply to all customers within the franchise service area, regardless of whether or not the customer participates in curbside recycling. The following rate is proposed for curbside recycling:

Sanitary Disposal, Inc.
$8.00 per month for every-other-week residential (single-family) curbside recycling service
$24.00 per month for every-other-week multi-family curbside recycling service

Pendleton Sanitary, Inc.
$8.00 per month for every-other-week residential (single-family) curbside recycling service

Procedures for Setting Rates

The procedure for a franchise to establish a new rate is outlined in the Umatilla County Code of Ordinances, Solid Waste Chapter 50.070 (Determination of Rates).

Sanitary Disposal, Inc. and Pendleton Sanitary, Inc. provided written notice of the proposal to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) on January 22, 2026. Notice of the proposal and the opportunity for the public to submit remonstrances to the proposal was advertised in the East Oregonian, Elkhorn Media, and posted at the transfer stations in Hermiston and Pendleton. No remonstrances were filed with the SWAC during the 14-day remonstrance period. The SWAC, at their meeting February 23, 2026, recommended approval of the proposal as submitted by the applicants.

Conclusion

The Board of Commissioners are required to review the recommendation of the SWAC, and by order, grant, deny, or modify the proposed rate.