



Agenda Item Summary

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Meeting Date: 7/10/2018

PLACEMENT: Consent

TITLE:

SOLID WASTE INITIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION FOR FY2018/2019

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Board of County Commissioners is requested to adopt the Initial Assessment Resolution for fiscal year 2019 (FY19) and approve notification to affected property owners advising of the solid waste assessment rate and public hearing.

DEPARTMENT: Utilities and Solid Waste

PREPARED BY: **Name:** Maria A. Gorniewicz
Title: Utilities Financial Coordinator

REQUESTED BY: Samuel Amerson, Utilities & Solid Waste Director, and Allen Gregory Schommer, Solid Waste Administrator

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

Chapter 151, Article III, General Ordinances, Martin County Code requires a two-step process for creating and imposing assessments in MSBU's. The first step of that process is adoption of an Initial Assessment Resolution. Residential collection service for each single family dwelling unit is payable pursuant to a special assessment that includes collection, disposal, and administrative/discount fees. The assessment is collected by the Tax Collector pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act and deposited into the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund. Utilities and Solid Waste Department staff administers payment to the franchisees.

On June 26, 2007, the Board approved franchise agreements for Waste Management and Indiantown Company. On May 4, 2010, the Board approved the assignment of the franchise agreement from Indiantown Company to Waste Management. These agreements allow for an annual adjustment of a maximum of 5% and which includes CPI and fuel against the monthly collection rate per household.

RIDER A

In addition to including all improved residential property located in the unincorporated area, the Initial

Assessment Resolution also includes improved residential property located in the Town of Sewall's Point and the Village of Indiantown.

ISSUES:

The single-family dwelling unit rate for FY19 for the Solid Waste MSBU services by Waste Management is proposed to be \$309.10, and is comprised of \$189.12 for collection, \$99.26 for disposal costs, and \$20.72 for administrative costs. There is no increase in the assessment rate per unit in comparison to the previous year due to a healthy balance of cost factors, rates, and stable reserves.

Approval is required for the first class mail notification and legal advertising for a public hearing to be held on August 14, 2018 to certify the special assessment roll to the Tax Collector and to adopt the Final Assessment Resolution. The notice to the homeowners informing them of the public hearing will go out before July 25, 2018.

RIDER B

To the extent the Village of Indiantown does not enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the County and consent to the special assessment against residential properties located in its incorporated area, those properties would not be included in the mailing and would be removed from the Solid Waste MSBU.

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

This item has been reviewed for legal sufficiency to determine whether it is consistent with applicable law.

Chris Traber, the County's Special Assessment Counsel, has reviewed the resolution and the Agenda Summary and confirmed that the form of each is proper.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board adopt the Solid Waste Initial Assessment Resolution for FY19.

Move that the Board approve the Solid Waste Assessment for Waste Management franchise area for the MSBU at \$309.10 covering the period from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Move that the Board approve the first class mail notification and legal advertising for the August 14, 2018 public hearing.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Pull this item from the Consent Agenda.

Move that the Board provide additional direction to staff.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

Assessment is the mechanism for funding solid waste and recyclable materials collections and disposal/processing.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Transfer / Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Chair Letter | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract / Agreement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grant / Application | <input type="checkbox"/> Notice | <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution |