



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File ID:** 22-1036

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**Meeting Date:** 8/9/2022

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**PLACEMENT:** Public Hearings

**TITLE:**

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE FINAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL TO THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Board of County Commissioners is required to adopt the Final Assessment Resolution for fiscal year 2023 (FY23) single-family solid waste assessment rates as set forth in Section 151.56, General Ordinances, Martin County Code and certify the special assessment roll to the Tax Collector as required by Section 151.57, General Ordinances, Martin County Code.

**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities and Solid Waste

**PREPARED BY:** **Name:** Greg Schommer  
**Title:** Solid Waste Administrator

**REQUESTED BY:** Sam Amerson, P.E., Utilities & Solid Waste Director

**PRESET:**

**PROCEDURES:** None

**BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:**

On July 12, 2022, the Board adopted the Initial Assessment Resolution No. 22-7.5 for the FY23 Solid Waste Assessment as required in Section 151.52, General Ordinances of the Martin County Code.

As required by Section 151.53, General Ordinances of the Martin County Code, a copy of the Preliminary Assessment Roll has been prepared and is available and open to public inspection at the Utilities and Solid Waste Department Office.

As required by the terms in Chapter 151, General Ordinances of the Martin County Code and Florida Law, notice of a Public Hearing has been published and also mailed by first class mail to each property owner proposed to be assessed notifying such property owner of the opportunity to be heard.

**ISSUES:**

The Solid Waste Municipal Service Benefit Units (MSBU) provides services to approximately 48,354

residential units in the County. The service area as shown on the attached map was created by Resolution No. 12-8.5.

On January 12, 2021, the Board approved the current franchise agreement with Waste Management allowing for annual rate CPI adjustments ranging from a minimum of 2% to a maximum of 5%.

The single-family dwelling unit rate for FY23 for the Solid Waste MSBU services by Waste Management is proposed to be \$405.55, and is comprised of \$273.00 for collection, \$98.59 for disposal costs, and \$33.96 for administrative costs. The change in the amount assessed in the prior year, \$389.69, is due to an increase in the solid waste collection rate and an increase in the solid waste disposal rate.

#### **LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:**

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 receive public comment at the Public Hearing.
- Move that the Board adopt the Final Assessment Resolution for the Solid Waste Municipal Service Benefit Unit.
- Move that the Board certify and approve the Special Assessment Roll to the Tax Collector.

##### **ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Move that the Board provide staff with additional direction.

#### **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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                      |                                       |  |

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