



Report to: General Committee -
Finance & Administrative

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SUBJECT: Waste Management Fee Increase
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RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) That the report entitled "Waste Management Fee Increase" be received;
- 2) That By-law 2002-276, a By-law to impose fees and charges for services or activities provided or done by the City of Markham, be amended to reflect increased Waste Management fees for new developments;
- 3) That the increases in the Waste Management fees as outlined on Table 1 be effective June 1, 2014;
- 4) That notice to the public be provided in accordance with By-law 2002-275, a By-law to prescribe the form, manner and times for the provision of reasonable notice;
- 5) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

PURPOSE:

To obtain approval to amend the Waste Management fees for goods and services as outlined on Table 1 be amended accordingly.

BACKGROUND:

Waste Management purchases Blue Boxes, Green Bins, Kitchen Collectors and Apartment Recycling Blue Bags for delivery to new developments on a cost recovery basis. On the day of closing, every new home is provided with 2 Blue Boxes, a Green Bin, Kitchen Collector and educational materials to ensure new residents can participate in the City's diversion program. Every multi-residential unit is provided with a Kitchen Catcher, Apartment Recycling Blue Bag and educational materials. .

The current Waste Management fees contained in Fee By-law 2002-276 for new development kits for homes and apartments have not been adjusted since 2010 and do not reflect the increased cost of managing this program.

OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:

This adjustment reflects the 2014 operating budget deliberations to achieve cost neutrality for City services.

The proposed fee adjustment reflects all costs related to this service including: staffing, vehicle and fuel, distribution and delivery, education materials and administration of inventory.

Table 1 below outlines the recommended unit fees for 2014:

Table 1
Current vs. Recommended Unit Fees (Excluding HST)

ITEM	CURRENT UNIT FEE*	RECOMMENDED UNIT FEE
New Home Recycling Kit (Includes 2 - 60 litre Blue Boxes @ \$7.50 each, 1 Green Bin @ \$19.00, 1 Kitchen Collector @ \$6.50, Delivery fee @ \$25.00)	\$51.00 Per household	\$65.50 Per household
New Multi-Residential Unit Recycling Kit (Includes 1 Apartment Recycling Blue Bag @ \$5.50, 1 Kitchen Collector @ \$6.50, Delivery fee @ \$12)	\$22.00 Per Unit	\$24.00 Per Unit

*To be amended in By-law 2002-276.

The increase in fees is expected to generate additional revenues of \$25,500 annually which has been included as part of the 2014 budget.

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSIDERATIONS:

Not Applicable.

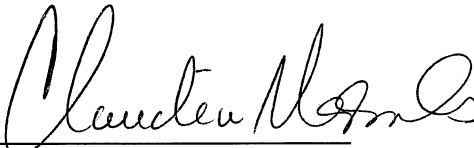
ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Providing residents with the necessary tools to participate in the City's diversion programs is consistent with Markham's goal of managed growth, infrastructure management, and to create a better quality community.


BUSINESS UNITS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:

The Legal Department will continue to collect the appropriate fees at the time of Site Plan and/or Subdivision Control Agreement approval.

RECOMMENDED BY:


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