

RESOLUTION NO. 13-160

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE
FRANCHISE FEE FOR SANITATION SERVICES AT 23%
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013.

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2013, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale passed Ordinance Number 13-30 amending Chapter 24, Article III, Section 24-69 entitled Solid Waste Private Collection Services to provide that the franchise fee for sanitation services provided by licensed private collectors shall be established by resolution of the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, franchise fees are used to support solid waste programs within the City including, but not limited to, hazardous waste collection and disposal, bulk collection programs, recycling programs, clearing illegally dumped materials from lots, canal cleanings, debris removal in public places and streets; and

WHEREAS, the cost of solid waste disposal has decreased 39% percent from \$57.93 per ton to \$41.48 per ton under the City's new Interlocal Agreement with Broward County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of competition in the marketplace and the decrease in tipping fees, gross revenues from licensed private solid waste collectors has also decreased; and

WHEREAS, increasing the franchise fee from the current 17% of the gross receipts or equivalent value received by each licensed private collector for collection services within the City stabilizes City revenues and allows the City to maintain the same level of service it currently provides to its residents; and

WHEREAS, staff has researched the franchise fee of other municipalities in the South Florida market and fees range between 10% to 25% of gross receipts received; and


WHEREAS, based on this data, City staff has determined that the increase of the franchise fee to 23% of gross receipts or the equivalent value constitutes a fair and reasonable fee increase;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the franchise fee for sanitation services provided by licensed private collectors pursuant to Section 24-69 of the City's Code of Ordinances shall be established as 23% of the gross receipts or equivalent value received by each licensed private collector for sanitation collection services within the City.


Section 2. That this Resolution shall become effective October 1, 2013.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2013.



Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

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