



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM:	Rickelle Williams, Interim City Manager
DATE:	June 26, 2024
TITLE:	REFERRAL TO THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE (JULY 26, 2024) MEETING TO DISCUSS THE INCORPORATION OF THE SINGLE-FAMILY RECYCLING PROGRAM FEE, WHICH IS PRESENTLY COVERED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS SANITATION FUND, AS A DISTINCT LINE ITEM ON THE UTILITY BILL TO PASS THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FEE.

RECOMMENDATION

This referral is drafted and included on the agenda on behalf of Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

For over the past decade, the cost of the single-family recycling program has been absorbed by the Public Works Sanitation fund. Please note this does not include any multi-family accounts. The cost of the program has been between \$210,000 to \$250,000 per year as per the current agreement with Miami-Dade County Solid Waste Department.

In 2023 there was a substantial increase in the program cost, which the Sanitation Fund can no longer absorb. The costs went from \$20K to over \$35K per month and increasing again in 2025.

This concern was discussed at the May 20th, 2024, Commission Budget Retreat. Sponsoring Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt made a recommendation to move forward to the appropriate Committee and Commission meetings for discussion, with a recommendation to have this cost become a pass-through cost (passed onto the residential utility bill, separately from waste service fees) as proposed by the Public Works Department.

ANALYSIS

N/A.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

No Fiscal Impact.

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?

Yes

No

Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481, includes a principal engaged in lobbying? No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s): N/A

Department

Public Works

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

Co-Sponsor(s)

Commissioner David Suarez