# SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_ of 2006 (Refuse Fund Fees)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9.08.030 OF THE SALT LAKE CITY CODE, RELATING TO GARBAGE AND RECYCLING PICK UP SERVICES.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 9.08.030 of the Salt Lake City Code, relating to garbage and recycling pick up services be, and the same hereby is, amended as follows:

#### 9.08.030 Garbage And Recycling Pick Up Services:

The city will provide for the collection and disposal, at the expense of the property owner, of garbage, community waste, stove ashes, recyclable material and other such refuse from residences, eligible multi-family properties and eligible businesses as provided herein. Said collection shall be under the supervision of the department of public services pursuant to the following:

### A. Garbage And Recycling Pick Up Services To Residences:

1. Garbage Service To Residences And Responsibility For Payment: Except where water, sewer and garbage service to the owner's premises is properly terminated or the owner notifies in writing the director of public services that the owner's garbage will be picked up by a private collector, the owner of every residence shall be responsible and liable for the below enumerated monthly charges for garbage service. The charge for such service shall be billed with the city's regular water and sewer billings to the owner of such dwelling units as the department of public utilities has records, and directly to the address of all other such residences provided by the director of the city's department of public services. In those instances where the water and sewer bill is currently being sent to a tenant at the owner's request, the garbage service will be similarly billed. However, the owner is responsible to pay and is liable for all charges for garbage service furnished to the residence if such tenant or occupant shall fail to pay the same.

## 2. Charges For Garbage Service To Residences:

a. Monthly charges for general garbage pick up service provided to residences for the city's fiscal year 20062-20073 shall be ten nine dollars seventy five cents (\$109.75) per month for the first automated container. The first automated refuse container shall be delivered to residences without a delivery charge. Additional automated containers can be obtained for tennine dollars seventy five cents (\$109.75) each per month plus a delivery

fee of eleventen dollars (\$110.00) each. This fee will change in fiscal year 2007-2008 to eleven dollars twenty five ceats (\$11.25) per-month. During that fiscal year, additional automated containers can be obtained for eleven dollars twenty five cents (\$11.25) each month plus a delivery fee of eleven dollars (\$11.00) each. The fee will change in fiscal year 2008-2009 to eleven dollars seventy five cents (\$11.75) per month. During that fiscal year, additional automated containers can be obtained for eleven dollars seventy five cents (\$11.75) per month plus a delivery fee of eleven dollars (\$11.00) each. The fee will change in fiscal year 2009-2010 to twelve dollars fifty cents (\$12.50) per month. During that fiscal year, additional automated containers can be obtained for twelve dollars fifty cents (\$12.50) per month plus a delivery fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) each. The fee will change in fiscal year 2010-2011 to thirteen dollars twenty five cents (\$13.25) per month. During that fiscal year, additional automated containers can be obtained for thirteen dollars twenty five cents (\$13,25) per month plus a delivery fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) each. The fee will change in fiscal year 2011-2012 to fourteen dollars (\$14.00) per month. During that fiscal year, additional automated containers can be obtained for fourteen dollars (\$14.00) per month plus a delivery fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) each. These fees shall changes, as outlined aboveremain the same through fiscal year 2006-2007, are subject to modification by future city councils.

3. Recycling Pick Up Services Available To Residences: Owners or occupants of residences may elect to subscribe to the city's recycling pick up service. Owners or occupants of residences will not be charged for this service in addition to the fee set forth in subsection A2 of this section.

# B. Recycling Pick Up Service Available To Eligible Multi-Family Property Owners And Eligible Businesses:

- 1. Recycling Pick Up Service: Owners of eligible multi-family properties and eligible businesses may elect to subscribe to the city's recycling pick up service. A business or multi-family complex located outside of the service provider's normal routes may not be eligible to subscribe to the recycling program. Such service shall be billed with the city's regular water and sewer billings to owners of eligible multi-family properties and eligible businesses as the department of public utilities has records. In those instances where the water and sewer bill is currently being sent to a tenant at the owner's request, the recycling pick up service will be similarly billed. However, the owner is responsible to pay for the recycling pick up service furnished such tenant, or any other occupant of the premises named in the department of public utilities application, if such tenant or occupant shall fail to pay the same. The city may collect from private streets with a signed written agreement between the department of public services and the private street owner.
- 2. Charges For Recycling Pick Up Services: Charges for recycling pick up service provided to the owner of an eligible multi-family property or eligible business for the city's fiscal year 2002-2003 shall be three dollars fifty cents (\$3.50) per month for the first automated container. Additional automated containers can be obtained for three dollars fifty cents (\$3.50) each per month. Automated recycling containers shall be

delivered to eligible multi-family properties and businesses without a delivery charge. These fees shall remain the same through fiscal year 2006-2007, subject to modification by future city councils.

3. Promotion And Education Requirements Regarding Recycling Pick Up Service In Multi-Family Properties And Businesses: The business owner or manager of any eligible business who has subscribed to the city's recycling pick up service must distribute general recycling information and current program recycling guidelines to every employee within fourteen (14) days of employment and to all employees of the business annually. The owner or manager of any eligible multi-family property who has subscribed to the city's recycling pick up service must distribute general recycling information and current program recycling guidelines to every tenant housed in the complex within thirty (30) days of occupancy and to all tenants housed in the complex annually. If requested, the city will assist by providing educational flyers.

#### C. Billing:

- 1. Periodic Billing Statements: The department of public utilities shall cause billings for garbage collection and recycling pick up services to be rendered periodically at rates established in this chapter. In the event partial payment is made on a combined bill, the payment shall be applied first to franchise fees due, and then to each service on a pro rata basis as determined by the director of public utilities.
- 2. Delinquency: Fees and charges levied in accordance herewith shall be a debt due to the city. If this debt is not paid within thirty (30) days after billing it shall, at the option of the director of public utilities, be deemed delinquent and subject to recovery in a civil action for which the city may recover reasonable attorney fees, and/or said department shall have the right to terminate water, sewer, garbage collection and recycling pick up services to said premises. Any uncollected amount due from the owner on any inactive, terminated or discontinued account may be transferred to any active account under the owner's name and upon failure to pay said bill after at least five (5) days' prior written notice, water, sewer and/or garbage collection and recycling pick up services to that account and premises may be discontinued.
- 3. Restoration Of Service: Water, sewer, garbage and recycling pick up service shall not be restored until all charges shall have been paid.
- D. Deposits Required From Nonowners: All new water, sewer and garbage collection service users who are not the owners of the premises shall pay to the department of public utilities for deposit with the city treasurer an amount sufficient to cover the cost of garbage collection services which may accumulate. The amount deposited shall be not less than twice any monthly or bimonthly bill for garbage collection over the preceding year on such premises, but in no case shall it be less than ten dollars (\$10.00). The department of public utilities shall issue a certificate of deposit. The amount deposited shall be refunded by the city treasurer to the holder upon the surrender of the certificate properly endorsed, provided all garbage bills and other

charges are paid. All bills for garbage service must be paid promptly without reference to said deposit. Whenever any user of garbage collection services shall have failed to pay for garbage services rendered to such premises, the money deposited or any part thereof may be applied to the payment of such delinquent bills by the department of public utilities. The owner of the premises will be required to pay the remainder.

- E. Abatement: Those owners, each year, granted indigent abatement for taxes on their dwelling by Salt Lake County under section 59-2-1106 et seq., Utah Code Annotated, or its successor, shall be granted a fifty percent (50%) annual abatement of the above garbage pick up charges.
- F. Enterprise Fund: All funds received from garbage service and recycling pick up service shall be placed in the garbage enterprise fund and left separate and apart from all other city funds. The collection, accounting and expenditure of all such funds shall be in accordance with existing fiscal policy of the city.
- G. Vacancies: In the event a residence being served is vacant and the owner is trying to sell it, or it is or will be vacant because of an extended vacation of the occupant, the owner may apply to the public services director in writing for termination of garbage service for a specified period. The automated refuse and recycling container(s) will be picked up and returned pursuant to the owner's request upon payment of a ten dollar (\$10.00) service fee. If said service fee is paid, no garbage collection fee shall be charged during the period of vacancy.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the date of its first publication.

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