



## Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

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**TO:** Mayor and Commissioners  
**FROM:** Laura Thezine, Acting Finance Director  
**THROUGH:** Neal de Jesus, Interim City Manager  
**DATE:** August 20, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 137-19: SANITATION RATES FOR FY2020

**Recommended Action:**

Motion to approve Resolution No. 137-19 to implement a schedule of sanitation rates and fees in accordance with the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 51, "Garbage and Trash", Section 51.70, "Regular Charges Levied:", and to authorize the City of Delray Beach to collect the residential and commercial sanitation rates on the tax roll for Fiscal Year 2020.

**Background:**

On September 17, 1996 the City of Delray Beach (City) adopted Ordinance 33-96 establishing a sanitation rate and fees for residential and commercial properties within the City's limits. Rates are determined by Southern Waste Systems, LLC and the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the current year. The City entered into an Exclusive Franchise Agreement between the City of Delray Beach, Florida and Southern Waste Systems, LLC. for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials (Agreement). This agreement was assigned to Waste Management, LLC December 14, 2015, as a result of their acquisition of Southern Waste Systems, LLC. Section 38.3 of the Agreement, "CPI Adjustments to Collection Component of Rates", requires annual rate increases based on CPI. The CPI is determined by tracking price changes in a market basket of consumer goods and services over a period of time, and published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**City Attorney Review:**

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

**Funding Source/Financial Impact:**

Finance has reviewed and concurs with the CPI increase and corresponding rate changes for residential and commercial services.

**Timing of Request:**

Timely approval will permit necessary preparation for rates to become effective October 1, 2019.