City Operations Waste Services

Waste Services 2025 Rate Filing

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Waste Services Rate Filings

- → Rate filings are used by utilities to assess the yearly cost to provide service, which is collected through monthly utility rates.
- This funding provides a stable revenue source to fund day-to-day operations.
- → A one-year rate filing will be prepared in both 2025 and 2026 to account for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR).

Waste Services Operations

→ Through operational efficiencies, Waste Services has achieved a 0% change to utility rates needed to maintain current service levels and fund initiatives and projects in 2025.



Three-stream waste sorting in apartment and condo collection



Developing a new waste management strategy for non-residential waste



Increasing residential waste reduction and diversion rates

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

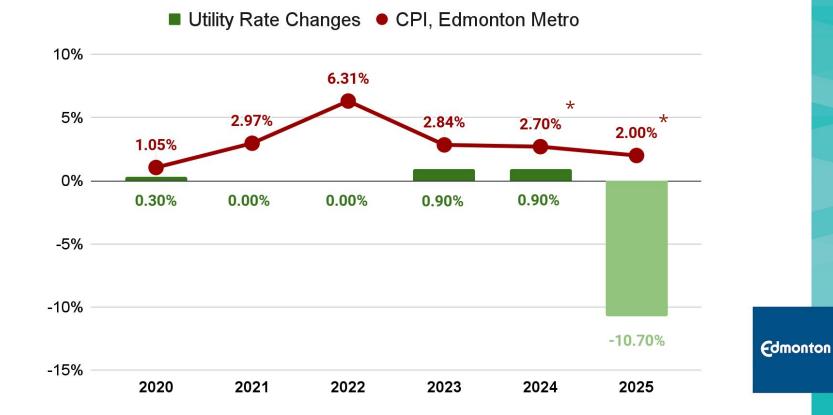
- → EPR transfers responsibility for managing recycling and hazardous and special products (HSP) waste to producers from municipalities. EPR regulation was passed by the Government of Alberta in 2022 and takes effect on April 1, 2025.
- → Waste Services is engaged in contract negotiations to provide service on behalf of producers, which would provide revenue.

To maintain existing service and collect EPR revenue, Administration recommends a 10.7% reduction to monthly waste utility rates for most ratepayers in 2025.

Proposed 2025 Waste Utility Rates

Collection Service	2024 Approved Rates	2025 Proposed Rates	Monthly Decrease
Curbside (120L Garbage Cart)	\$44.19	\$38.95	(\$5.24)
Curbside (240L Garbage Cart)	\$49.19	\$43.95	(\$5.24)
Curbside (360L Garbage Cart)	\$59.19	\$48.95	(\$5.24)
Apartment and Condo Collection	\$31.25	\$27.92	(\$3.33)

Waste Utility Rate History



* Inflation projections retrieved in August 2024 from Corporate Economist.

Recommendations

- 1. Recommend approval of 2025 waste utility rates.
- 2. SCBA for approval of Waste Services Climate Action Plan funding.
 - \rightarrow Only applicable if CO02507 recommendation approved.
 - \rightarrow No additional impact to utility rates.
- 3. Waste Services Bylaw 20363 requires amendment to replace rate schedule.

→ If approved, 2025 waste utility rates take effect **January 1, 2025**.

Thank you. Questions?

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