

# **RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 20221**

### **A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 20170 TO CHANGE THE RULES AND THE FEES CHARGED FOR DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE AT THE CITY OF HELENA TRANSFER STATION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Helena operates the "Transfer Station" to provide sanitary disposal of garbage and refuse, collection of recyclable materials, and diversion of usable material; and

**WHEREAS**, the City needs to recover the costs of doing business at the Transfer Station, as well as the tipping fee charged by the County for use of the landfill; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is authorized to establish such rates as may be necessary to operate its facilities to insure a positive cash flow; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent efficiency study and staff proposals have showed that City of Helena Solid Waste System, including the Transfer Station, can continue to realize efficiencies and provide additional services such as Household Hazardous Waste disposal common in similar-sized communities; and

**WHEREAS**, residents inside and outside the City of Helena utilize recycling services and support weekend service, including expansion of recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, opportunities exist to save costs and beneficially redirect construction and demolition debris; and

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**WHEREAS**, The City adopted Resolution No. 20170 on June 15, 2015, which provided that 30 trips could be made to the Transfer Station by all Transfer Station permit holders before the minimum transaction/tipping fee would be applicable; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears to be in the best interests of the City of Helena and the inhabitants thereof that Resolution No. 20170 be amended; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA:**

**Section 1.** That it is the intention of the Helena City Commission to amend Resolution No. 20170 as follows:

**A.** The following tipping fees apply to all Transfer Station customers:

~~\* Minimum transaction/tipping fee: \$6.25/\$ 0.00 (no minimum fee for permit <30 visits)~~

Minimum transaction/tipping fee (Permit): \$0.62/20 lbs

Minimum transaction/tipping fee (Non-Permit): \$6.25/200 lbs

Permit holders that exceed the yearly allowance will be cash customers:

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Transfer Station Tipping Fee \$30.75

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Landfill Tipping Fee	\$31.25
Total Tipping Fee	\$62.00/Ton

\*Exceptions:

For clean, sorted construction and demolition waste:

Per establishment of program(s) for cash and account customers \$54.00/ton

~~Minimum fee does not apply to residential permit holders for first 30 visits during the fiscal year or to renter recycling permits for the first 30 visits to the facility. City of Helena may establish a limited recycling permit for purchase that could include limited number of trips, limited hours, or other restrictions for traffic flow and/or other efficiency goals.~~

The total tipping fee is applied to all garbage, refuse, recyclable materials, and diverted materials at the transfer station. The cost of clean loads of recycled materials are charged to either the City of Helena Residential Fund, other participating districts, or other governmental entities that have a transfer station agreement with the City of Helena, but is not counted as tonnage against permits.

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B. Any additional charges or tipping fees can be paid by using any residential permit credit granted by the City of Helena, Scratchgravel, or other participating districts:

Current

**Appliances with refrigerants:**

\$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

**Tires:**

Passenger and light truck  
(up to 20" inside diameter) \$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

Passenger and light truck on rim  
(up to 20" inside diameter) \$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

\*Oversized tires  
(over 20" inside diameter, but less than 25") \$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

\*Tires with larger than 25" inside diameter,  
not to exceed 48" outside diameter \$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

**Electronic Waste:**

All E-waste \$0.00 each  
(plus tipping fee)

**Household Hazardous Waste:**

At least one Household Hazardous Waste collection event will be provided at no charge to permit holders.

C. The following additional charges apply to all commercial customers or any residential customers that exceed the yearly ~~per item limit~~ permit credit:

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**Appliances with refrigerants:** \$15.00 each  
(No limit) (plus tipping fee)

**Tires:**

(No limit)

Passenger and light truck (up to 20" inside diameter) \$5.00 each (plus tipping fee)

Passenger and light truck tires on rim (up to 20" inside diameter) \$10.00 each (plus tipping fee)

\*Commercial truck tires (off the rim) \$15.00 each (plus tipping fee)

\*Commercial truck tires (on the rim) \$ 25.00 each (plus tipping fee)

\*Tires larger than a 48" outside diameter are not accepted.

**Electronic Waste:**

Computer Monitors/Televisions \$ 00.35/lb.

**All other E-waste:** \$ 00.00

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW):** Charges and restrictions may apply to HHW events.

**Clean, Sorted Construction and Demolition Waste:**

Per establishment of program(s) \$54.00/ton  
for cash and account customers

**Section 2.** The value of a residential permit ~~fee~~ credit will be based on budget policy and related resolutions set by the governing bodies of the City of Helena, Scratch Gravel

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Landfill District, and Lewis & Clark County.

**Section 3.** A public hearing on this matter will be held at 6:00 P.M. on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2015, in the City Commission Chambers at 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana, so that all interested parties may appear and express their opinions of approval or disapproval.

**PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.**

/S/ James E. Smith  
MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

/S/ Debbie Havens  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION