

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	26376	Agenda Number	120.
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Meeting Date:	8/22/2013	Department:	Austin Resource Recovery
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*Subject*

Conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed rate and fee changes for the Austin Resource Recovery Department as part of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Proposed Budget.

*Amount and Source of Funding*

*Fiscal Note*

**Purchasing Language:**

**Prior Council Action:**

**For More Information:** Bob Gedert, Director, 512-974-1926; Chad Presley, Chief Administrative Officer 512-974-9233

**Boards and Commission Action:**

**MBE / WBE:**

**Related Items:**

*Additional Backup Information*

This action requests City Council to conduct a public hearing to hear public comments on the Austin Resource Recovery (ARR) rate changes proposed in the Proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget. Council is scheduled to adopt the budget on September 9, 10, and 11, 2013. The City Code in Section 2-5-45 specifically requires a public hearing prior to the City Council approving any changes in electric, water, wastewater, and garbage collection rates. ARR is proposing a \$0.15 rate increase in the monthly fee for the residential Clean Community Fee and a \$0.30 increase in the monthly fee for the commercial Clean Community Fee. The increased fee revenue will be used to fund new Clean Community programs such as mattress collection, various recycling services, and expansion of the dead animal collection program (deer on property).