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University City to Implement Solid Waste Refuse Rate Increases Starting April 1, 2025

UNIVERSITY CITY, MO – The University City Council has approved Bill 9565, introducing an 8.4% increase in solid waste refuse rates, effective April 1, 2025. This adjustment ensures the continued quality of waste collection services while addressing rising operational costs. Additionally, beginning in March 2026, rates will increase annually by 3%, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

New Refuse Collection Rates (Effective April 1, 2025)

Residents and businesses should take note of the following updated rates:

- Single-family & two-family units (curb pickup, 90-gallon cart): \$19.50/month
- Single-family & two-family units (senior rate, 60-gallon cart): \$16.50/month
- Single-family & two-family units (alley mechanical box pickup): \$22.10/month
- Single-family & two-family units (senior rate, alley mechanical box pickup): \$18.67/month
- Multi-family (3+ units, curb pickup, 90-gallon cart): \$20.65/unit
- Multi-family (3+ units, alley mechanical box pickup): \$17.60/unit
- Multi-family (3+ units, mechanical box pickup & waste reduction): \$12.10/unit
- Public & private institutions: Rates determined based on service needs

Why the Increase?

The Solid Waste Rate Study Task Force recommended the increase following a comprehensive analysis of the city's solid waste collection expenses. The additional revenue will help cover:

- Rising disposal and operational costs
- Infrastructure improvements for waste management
- Compliance with environmental regulations

What This Means for Residents & Businesses

University City residents and businesses should review their refuse bills and plan for the updated charges. Those looking to manage costs may consider waste reduction and recycling programs to minimize expenses.

For additional details, residents can contact the City of University City Finance Department at (314) 505-8544.

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About University City: University City was incorporated on September 4, 1906, by founder Edward Gardner Lewis, as a city of learning, culture and beautiful neighborhoods. This diverse community of approximately

35,000 residents provides welcoming neighborhoods, thriving business districts and is a great place to live, learn, work and be entertained. More information is available at www.ucitymo.org.

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