

Upcoming Solid Waste Rate Study -

Be a part of
the process!



As utility costs throughout the solid waste industry continue to rise due to maintenance and market variables, Tempe staff is committed to remain operationally efficient, and manage these costs while keeping the city's commitment to deliver superior services to our residents. Since city sales and property taxes do not fund Solid Waste Services, the costs must be balanced through monthly user service fees. Every two years, Solid Waste Services work with a third party to conduct a rate adjustment study to help determine what changes are needed to balance the operational investments of these services and maximize ratepayer value.

The Solid Waste team is responsible for several important city functions including waste and recycling collection and reuse, bulk trash and green organics collection, improving alley conditions, and managing the city's Green Organics program. All these services work to provide a better quality of life and long-term cost savings for residents. The city's new SMART (Save Money and Recycle Tempe) is also crucial to reducing waste. This program keeps material out of the landfill, helping the city reach its 40 percent diversion goal by 2020 and move us towards a more environmentally healthy and sustainable future.

Please review a list of upcoming dates to participate in the process. More information can be found on the project site: tempe.gov/SolidWasteRateStudy.

Date	Meeting	Location	Time
9/12/19	Work Study Session - Solid Waste Program and Services Update	Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Ave., Tempe	4 p.m.
9/12/19	Propose Solid Waste Rate Study options to City Council	Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Ave., Tempe	6 p.m.
10/3/19	2019 Utility Rate Study DRAFT report will be available for review	Please visit: tempe.gov/SolidWasteRateStudy	
10/3/19	Rate Study Public Meeting	Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Ave., Tempe	4:30-7:30 p.m.
10/5/19	Rate Study Public Meeting	Tempe Public Library 3500 S. Rural Rd., Tempe, Library Meeting Room A	9-11:30 a.m.
11/27/19	Post notice of intent	Please visit: tempe.gov/SolidWasteRateStudy	
12/12/19	Council adopts Solid Waste Rate	Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Ave., Tempe	TBD
1/1/20	Effective date of new rates		

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