



Public Workshop San Francisco Residential Refuse Rates – Allocation of Refuse Rate Surcharge

**Tuesday, March 20, 2012, 9 a.m.
City Hall, Room 416
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102**

The Department of Public Works will hold a public information workshop to discuss: "(1) the appropriate size of the Special Reserve, what should happen to any excess in that Reserve, and whether the 1.3 percent surcharge on billings that funds the Reserve should be reduced; and (2) the extent to which garbage rate funds should pay for litter and other street-related collection and disposal going forward."

In 2010, the Refuse Collection and Disposal Rate Board approved the 2010 Rate Order which allocated funds from the surcharge, previously held in a Special Reserve required under the 1987 Facilitation Agreement between the City and Recology, to an Impound Account to pay, in part, for removal of refuse from City streets and properties. The Rate Board encouraged the Director of Public Works and the Department of the Environment to solicit public input on these topics.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

- 1. Introduction of workshop participants and procedures**
- 2. Background on refuse collection rates**
- 3. Review of 2010 Rate Board directive**
- 4. Presentation by the Department of the Environment addressing the Special Reserve Fund**
- 5. Presentation by the Department of Public Works addressing removal of refuse from City streets and properties**
- 6. Public comment and discussion**

DPW is holding the workshop to address the issues identified by the Rate Board in the 2010 Rate Order. The purpose of the workshop is to facilitate public input on and understanding of the issues involved. DPW will not necessarily make any decisions or recommendations as a result of the workshop.

The City and County of San Francisco will only approve changes to the residential refuse rates after public hearings before the Department of Public Works and the Rate Board.

For more information go to www.sfdpw.org/refuserates.

Accessible Meeting Information

City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102



A Public Workshop will be held at City Hall, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 416. Accessible seating for persons with disabilities, including those using wheelchairs will be available.

The closest accessible BART Station is Civic Center, located at the intersection of Market and 8th Streets, three blocks from City Hall. Accessible MUNI lines serving this location are the 42 Downtown Loop, the 71 Haight/Noriega, the F-Line to Market Street and Van Ness Avenue, and the Metro Stations at Van Ness Avenue and Market Street and Civic Center. For more information about MUNI accessible services, call 923-6142. Accessible curbside parking has been designated in the vicinity of the Veterans Building adjacent to Davies Hall and the War Memorial Veterans Building.



Workshop information will be made available in alternative formats when requested. If you require the use of a reader during the meeting, American Sign Language interpreters, and/or a sound enhancement system, please call DPW's Accessibility Access Coordinator at 557-4685 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

Individuals with severe allergies, environmental illness, multiple chemical sensitivity or related disabilities should call our accessibility hotline at 557-4685 to discuss meeting accessibility. In order to assist the City's efforts to accommodate such people, attendees at public meetings are reminded that other attendees may be sensitive to various chemical based products. Please help the City to accommodate these individuals.

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