

**TOWN OF PARADISE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING AN EXTENSION OF THE
NORTHERN RECYCLING AND WASTE SERVICE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT**

February 17, 2017

On April 11, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, the Town Council of the Town of Paradise will hold a public hearing at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California, to consider extending the solid waste, recyclable materials and yard waste collection processing and disposal services Franchise Agreement between the Town and Northern Recycling and Waste Service (NRWS) and the Town of Paradise (TOWN).

The franchise agreement has been in effect since January 18, 2007. Pursuant to the franchise agreement, NRWS provides solid waste, recycling and yard waste collection services for residential, commercial and industrial properties in the Town with fees based on the types and amounts of waste and recyclable materials, as approved by the Paradise Town Council. As proposed, the current franchise agreement would be extended until April 30, 2027. The existing basic terms of the proposed extension would not change except as follows:

1. Addition of street sweeping program by NRWS which would include 1,300 annual sweeping miles for Town public roadways and 80 hours of on-call sweeping and/or drainage inlet vacuuming.

All proposed fees for collection and disposal of waste are correlated with the sizes of collection containers and cost to provide the street sweeping program. Collection fees charged for services would be subject to increasing annually based on pass through increases in either the Consumer Price Index for ALL ITEMS FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS WEST URBAN AREA or the fees charged by Butte County for its gate rate at its disposal site (Pass Through Adjustments) as part of the extension of the Franchise Agreement. In no event shall the Pass Through Adjustments exceed 5% per annum.

NRWS CURRENT AND PROPOSED FEES

	Rate Type	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate	Percent Increase	Amount Increase	Customers Affected
Residential	35 Gallon	\$24.75	\$24.94	0.75%	\$0.19	5,640
	65 Gallon	\$32.17	\$32.41	0.75%	\$0.24	2,261
	95 Gallon	\$35.88	\$36.15	0.75%	\$0.27	1,156
Commercial	35 Gallon	\$24.75	\$25.96	4.89%	\$1.21	88
	35 Gallon MF	\$11.18	\$11.73	4.89%	\$0.55	54
	65 Gallon	\$33.78	\$35.43	4.89%	\$1.65	54
	95 Gallon	\$45.91	\$48.15	4.89%	\$2.24	108
	(2) 95 Gallon	\$76.73	\$80.48	4.89%	\$3.75	39
	1 Yard	\$80.67	\$84.61	4.89%	\$3.94	6
	1.5 Yard	\$97.45	\$102.22	4.89%	\$4.77	4
	2 Yard	\$110.25	\$115.64	4.89%	\$5.39	157
	3 Yard	\$136.13	\$142.79	4.89%	\$6.66	56
	4 Yard	\$167.95	\$176.16	4.89%	\$8.21	57
6 Yard	\$196.81	\$206.43	4.89%	\$9.62	20	

At the public hearing the Town Council will consider all written protests against the proposed extension of the franchise agreement with NRWS for solid waste services. If written protests against the proposed extension of the franchise agreement with NRWS are presented by a majority of the owners of parcels, the Town will not approve the extension of the franchise agreement. If a parcel has a tenant who is directly responsible for the payment for solid waste collection services, that tenant may also submit a written protest. In no event will more than one protest be accepted for each parcel.

All written protests must be received by the Town prior to the conclusion of the public input portion of the Town Council hearing. Email and fax transmittals will not be accepted as a formal protest. All written protests must identify the property owner or tenant and the address of the property or parcel with a statement in protest of the proposed extension of the franchise agreement. (See enclosed Ballot.)

The Town Council will consider all written protests timely submitted and hear and consider all public comments made at the public hearing. Oral comments at the public hearing will not qualify as formal protests unless accompanied by a written protest. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Town Council will determine whether to adopt the rate increases as set forth in this Notice relating to the proposed extension of the Franchise Agreement.

If, after the close of the public hearing, written protests against the proposed extension of the Franchise Agreement as outlined above are not presented by a majority of the record owners or tenant customers of record of the identified parcels, the Town Council will consider whether to approve the extension of the Franchise Agreement, including the Pass Through Adjustments and increases associated with street sweeping services by NRWS.

If you have any questions regarding the information provided in this notice, please contact the Town of Paradise at (530) 872-6291 extension 125 or mmattox@townofparadise.com.

If you have questions specific to your account, please contact Northern Recycling & Waste Services at (530) 876-3340.