INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Steve McMahon

BILL NO. 9565

DATE: February 24, 2025

ORDINANCE NO. 7378

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 230.110 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY, MISSOURI, RELATING TO SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEES AND BILLING, BY INCREASING REFUSE COLLECTION RATES ON ALL UNITS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. Section 230.110 of the Municipal Code of the City of University City, Missouri, relating to solid waste collection fees and billing, is hereby amended by increasing the refuse collection rates on all units, so that said section, as so amended, shall read as follows:

Section 230.110. Fees and Billing.

A. The City Council shall by ordinance from time to time establish and impose fees for the City's solid waste collection services to reimburse the City for the reasonable costs of service delivery and a schedule of such fees shall be maintained on file by the City Clerk. The Director of Finance may assess fees to reimburse the City for the costs of collection and disposal of prohibited solid waste, non-residential solid waste, nuisance abatement or other special services.

University City Refuse Collection Rates Effective April 1, 2025

Туре	Monthly Rate
a. Single-family and two-family units with curb line pick up, per ninety (90) gallon cart.	\$19.50
Single-family and two-family, senior rate (available to a residential unit occupied by no more than two (2) persons, one (1) of whom is at least sixty-five (65) years of age), per unit, per sixty (60) gallon cart.	\$16.50
b. Single-family and two-family units with alley line mechanical box pickup, per unit.	\$22.10
Single-family and two-family, senior rate (available to a residential unit occupied by no more than two (2) persons, one (1) of whom is at least sixty-five (65) years of age), per unit).	\$18.67
 Multi-family with three (3) or more units with curb line pickup, per unit, per ninety (90) gallon cart. 	\$20.65
Multi-family with three (3) or more units with alley line mechanical box pickup, per unit.	\$17.60
Multi-family with three (3) or more units with mechanical box pickup and waste reduction, per unit.	\$12.10
d. Public or private institutions with City service	Rates to be determined based on service

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- B. All such fees shall be assessed against the owner of the property benefiting from the City's solid waste collection services. While the fees may be paid by others residing at the property, the owner of the property shall be ultimately responsible for assessed fees, and the owner shall have no defense under this Chapter that some other person is responsible for payment of the fees.
- C. The Director of Finance shall be responsible for billing and collecting said fees and shall bill the same on a semi-annual or other basis in such method and manner as the Director of Finance deems most effective. The bill for a newly constructed residence shall be prorated for the first (1st) bill only. The Director of Finance shall enforce this Chapter to the extent provided herein and shall have the authority and responsibility to establish and revise regulations for such purposes.
- D. Any owner receiving collection services from the City shall receive a credit against the fees imposed for each full month of unit vacancy, provided that:
 - 1. The owner files an application for credit with the Director of Finance no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the end of the current billing period;
 - 2. The unit has been registered with the City as a vacant property pursuant to Section 240.020 of this code:
 - 3. The unit was vacant during the current billing period, and the vacancy lasted at least three (3) consecutive months, including any vacancy time that carried over from the previous billing period; and
 - 4. No solid waste from the unit was collected by the City during the vacancy.

E. All refuse collection rates shall increase by three per cent (3%) effective March 1, 2026, and shall increase by three percent (3%) annually on first day of each March thereafter.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided by law.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 10th day of March, 2025.

ATTEST:

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT AS TO FORM: