
TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE **DATE:** 2020 January 07

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING **FILE:** 36600-03

SUBJECT: **SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING BYLAW AMENDMENTS – GREEN
WASTE TIPPING FEES**

PURPOSE: To seek Council authorization to amend the *Burnaby Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010* to amend the green waste tipping fees.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council authorize the City Solicitor to bring forward amendments to the *Burnaby Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010*, as outlined in this report.

REPORT**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The City of Burnaby accepts residential and commercial Green Waste (called “yard waste” in the *Burnaby Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010*) drop-off at the Burnaby Eco-Centre. This program supports residents and local business by providing a convenient location for recycling of Green Waste materials.

The purpose of this report is to propose amendments to the Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw to:

- increase the Green Waste tipping fee charges to align with Metro Vancouver transfer stations;
- facilitate future rate adjustments to maintain alignment with Metro Vancouver transfer stations, and:

2.0 POLICY SECTION

The proposed bylaw amendments are aligned with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan.

Goal

- An Inclusive Community
 - Serve a diverse community –
Ensure City services fully meet the needs of our dynamic community
- A Healthy Community
 - Enhance our environmental health, resilience, and sustainability
- A Dynamic Community
 - City facilities and infrastructure –
Build and maintain infrastructure that meets the needs of our growing community
- A Thriving Organization
 - Financial viability –
Maintain a financially sustainable City for the provision, renewal and enhancement of City services, facilities and assets

3.0 BACKGROUND

Green Waste drop-off material is composed mainly of grass trimmings, leaf debris, small branches and limbs, and clean wood. The Burnaby Eco-Centre is centrally located in the region and accepts material from residents and landscape businesses. In 2018, approximately 5,000 tonnes of material was dropped-off for recycling.

Customers are currently charged a tipping fee based on the weight of the load. The current charge is \$95/tonne, which is in alignment with Metro Vancouver transfer stations. On 2020 January 01, Metro Vancouver transfer stations increased the tipping fee to \$100/tonne. Additional further increases have been proposed in subsequent years to accommodate changes in Green Waste processing costs.

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the *Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010* be amended with respect to tipping fee charges for drop-off recycling at the Eco-Centre. The amended bylaw will revise the tipping fee rate to match the tipping fee rate at Metro Vancouver transfer stations (currently \$100/tonne).

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5.0 PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

The following amendments are proposed for Schedule A, Part C of the *Burnaby Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010*:

SCHEDULE A

C. Burnaby Yard Waste Drop-off Charges:

	Previous	New Proposed
(1)	\$95 per tonne, inclusive of applicable taxes	yard waste charges to align with Metro Vancouver transfer stations tipping fees for Green Waste, inclusive of applicable taxes (per Metro Vancouver <i>Tipping Fee and Solid Waste Regulation Bylaw</i>)



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