

NOTICE OF HEARING AND
SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE
COMMERCIAL ZONE 3 FRANCHISE AREAS 3, 19, 38, AND 43
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

On the 24th day of March 2026, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for commercial property in Garbage Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a Report filed by the Public Works Department titled "Commercial Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43 Solid Waste Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2026-2027." Issues and recommendations in the report include the following:

1. Designate the use of each parcel of real property in Commercial Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43 as commercial (non-residential).

2. Describe the amount of the proposed service charge for each type of service in the Commercial Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43 should the proposed Ordinance be enacted, and the Report approved.

3. Maximum monthly rates for solid waste collection for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 in the Commercial Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43 are to be set by container size as per Table A for commercial properties. The maximum rate also includes the Solid Waste Administration Fee which is charged per commercial unit per month based on provisions in County Ordinance and contracts with the individual haulers. The Solid Waste Administration Fee will be held constant at \$1.00 per commercial unit per month (as defined in Kern County Ordinance Code Section 5.36.055).

4. The Kern County Board of Supervisors (Board) may approve future rate adjustments based on the prior fiscal year Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all Urban Consumers, Garbage and Trash Collection (Series ID: CUUR0000SEHG02) without a protest hearing for two additional years. If, in any year, the rate adjustment approved by the Board is lower than the amount resulting from the application of the CPI, the difference may be carried over and applied by the Board to future rate adjustments. In the event the cited index is substantively changed or is no longer published, the Board will select a substantially similar index.

Any affected person may submit written protests to the report. Written protests must be signed by the objecting party, indicate the subject property and be delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the conclusion of the public hearing.

Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any charge set forth in the Report filed by the Public Works Department or overrule any or all objections, and shall make its determination upon each charge as described in that Report.

The Public Works Department has considered the environmental impacts of this action and concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and the action is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review per Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8) and Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

Complete copies of the proposed Ordinance and the report filed by the Public Works Department are on file for inspection with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Fifth Floor, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California. Alternatively, you may request copies by calling the Public Works Department at (661) 862-8900 or by making a request via email at waste@kerncounty.com.

Anyone wishing to present evidence or be heard regarding this matter may appear at the hearing of this matter or any continuation thereof. If you challenge the action taken by the Board of Supervisors on this matter in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this Notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

Please take notice that there is a 120-day statute of limitations for challenging any new, increased, or extended fee or charge.

Dated: January 27, 2026
NANCY ANDERSON
County Administrative Officer
Clerk of the Board
County of Kern
By: /s/Megan Simpson, Deputy Clerk

TABLE A

Commercial - Zone 3 Franchise Areas 3, 19, 38, and 43

Commercial Bin Service Monthly Rates - July 1, 2026	Size (CY)	First Commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
Trash Service				
	1	\$137.28	\$129.18	\$78.90
	1.5/300 gals	\$160.10	\$152.01	\$90.12
	2	\$192.68	\$184.57	\$106.57
	3	\$243.12	\$235.03	\$119.25
	4	\$302.66	\$294.57	\$153.60
	6	\$412.64	\$404.53	\$209.60
Recycling Service				
	1	\$134.43	\$134.43	\$128.06
	1.5/300 gals	\$143.11	\$143.11	\$136.10
	3	\$168.62	\$168.62	\$160.19
	6	\$221.13	\$221.13	\$208.37

Commercial Cart Service Monthly Rates - July 1, 2026	Size (gallons)	First commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
Trash Cart	96/101	\$63.56	\$59.43	\$56.12
Blue Recycling Cart	96/101	\$68.73	\$68.73	\$61.85

Commercial Organic Service Monthly Rates - July 1, 2026	Size	First commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
Organic Cart	96/101 gals	\$71.43	\$67.86	N/A

Commercial Roll-Off Services Monthly Rates - July 1, 2026	Per Dump	Rental Rate	Delivery Charge	Per Hour Charge	Roll-Off Compactor Service Fee
Roll-off Container	\$352.02	\$300.85	\$162.30	\$195.88	\$429.27

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