

*Before the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California*

**Resolution No.: 25-447**

- a. Approve Amendment No. 1 with [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” to adjust the current rates to a 5.03% increase for residential and commercial customers within the Monterey Regional Waste Management District and 6.05% increase for residential and commercial customers within the Salinas Valley Solis Waste Authority in the Unified Franchise Agreement (UFA) A-17164 between the County of Monterey (County) and USA Waste of California, Inc., dba Carmel Marina Corporation, for the Exclusive Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables in the Unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, effective January 1, 2026; and
- b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute Amendment No. 1 to the UFA between the County and USA Waste of California dba Carmel Marina Corporation, for the Exclusive Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables in the Unincorporated area of the County of Monterey.

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monterey County Health Department, Environmental Health Bureau (EHB) seeks authorization for the Director of Health Services or designee to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Unified Franchise Agreement (UFA) between the County and USA Waste of California, Inc., doing business as Carmel Marina Corporation (or Contractor); and

**WHEREAS**, on November 18, 2025, the Board (1) set a public hearing to consider and adopt a Resolution to approve Amendment No. 1 with [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” to the UFA regarding proposed rates for services and adjustments to current rates for the UFA between the County and USA Waste of California, Inc., dba Carmel Marina Corporation, for the Exclusive Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables in the Unincorporated area of the County of Monterey; and

**WHEREAS**, [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” consists of USA Waste of California dba Carmel Marina Corporation, proposed rates for services and adjustments to current rates based on the Refuse Rate Index (RRI) (price index provisions) of the UFA. [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” was published with the Board Report for the November 18, 2025, Consent Agenda (Set Hearing) item. Notice of Public Hearing with [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” was published in newspapers of general circulation on or before November 27, 2025, by EHB; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the County’s publication of the [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved

Rates and Charges” for the November 18, 2025, consent agenda item, and publication of the Notice of Public Hearing with [Proposed] Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” in newspapers of general circulation, the Board Report for the December 10, 2025 Board hearing, which includes the basis for the proposed rates, was published on the County Health Department website to meet the minimum ten (10) day publication requirement in advance of the December 10, 2025 Public Hearing on the proposed rates; and

**WHEREAS**, this matter was considered at the December 10, 2025, Public Hearing of the Board of Supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, Amendment No. 1 would amend the UFA to replace the service rates, surcharges, and fees set forth in Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges,” previously approved and adopted with the proposed new attachment to Exhibit 1 “Approved Rates and Charges” to reflect a rate adjustment; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Article 11.13 of the UFA, Contractor has submitted a request for rate adjustment that, based on calculations set forth in the UFA, justifies as across the board rate increase for solid waste and recyclables collection services for each of their customer categories:

- 5.03 % increase for residential customers within the jurisdiction of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (MRWMD);
- 6.05 % increase for residential customers within the jurisdiction of the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority (SVSWA);
- 5.03 % increase for commercial customers within the jurisdiction of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (MRWMD);
- 6.05 % increase for commercial customers within the jurisdiction of the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority (SVSWA);

**WHEREAS**, EHB staff has evaluated the Contractor’s request and believes it to be accurate and within compliance with the UFA;

**WHEREAS**, Article 11 “Billing and Payment,” Subsection 11.13.1.1 provides that: on January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the service rates, fees and surcharges set forth in Exhibit 1 shall be adjusted by multiplying them by the Refuse Rate Index (RRI) percentage adjustment”;

**WHEREAS**, the current RRI computations take into consideration tipping fees approved by the MRWMD and SVSWA, which are a direct pass through to rate payers and also account for increases in the Contractor’s operating expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, approval of said RRI increase is consistent with the terms of the UFA;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey hereby:

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within the Monterey Regional Waste Management District and 6.05% increase for residential and commercial customers within the Salinas Valley Solis Waste Authority in the Unified Franchise Agreement (UFA) A-17164 between the County of Monterey (County) and USA Waste of California, Inc., dba Carmel Marina Corporation, for the Exclusive Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables in the Unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, effective January 1, 2026; and  
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PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, and Daniels

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Root Askew

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting on December 10, 2025.

Dated: January 26, 2026  
File ID: RES 25-162  
Agenda Item No.: 25

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

  
Margarita Hernandez, Deputy