

## ORDINANCE 16

**REGULATING REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL. Amending initiative ordinance to impose further regulations and to increase rates of collections.**

### Ordering Submission of Proposed Amendment to Initiative Ordinance Regulating Refuse Collection and Disposal

The Board of Supervisors hereby orders submitted to the qualified electors of the City and County of San Francisco, at an election to be held therein November 5, 1946, an ordinance amending the initiative ordinance adopted at an election held in said City and County November 8, 1932, entitled "Providing for the Collection and Disposition of Refuse in the City and County of San Francisco; Providing for the Licensing of Refuse Collectors by the Director of Public Health; Fixing the Maximum Rates or Charges for the Collection of Refuse by Licensed Refuse Collectors From Homes, Apartment Houses, Stores, etc.; Dividing City and County of San Francisco Into Collection Routes; Providing Penalties for the Violation of the Provisions of This Ordinance," by amending Sections 2, 3, 6, 10, 14 and 16 of said ordinance, as follows:

Bill No. 4259, Ordinance No.... (Series of 1939) as follows:

Initiative ordinance amending the initiative ordinance adopted by the electors on November 8, 1932, entitled "Providing for the Collection and Disposition of Refuse in the City and County of San Francisco; Providing for the Licensing of Refuse Collectors by the Director of Public Health; Fixing the Maximum Rates or Charges for the Collection of Refuse by Licensed Refuse Collectors From Homes, Apartment Houses, Stores, etc.; Dividing City and County of San Francisco into Collection Routes; Providing Penalties for the Violation of the Provisions of This Ordinance," by amending Sections 2, 3, 6, 10, 11 and 16 thereof.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco, as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 of the initiative ordinance of November 8, 1932, entitled as recited above, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to dispose of refuse as defined in this ordinance except as herein provided, save that the provisions of this ordinance shall not include refuse which may be incinerated by an owner of a building for himself or for his tenants on the premises where produced; provided, however, that such incineration shall be subject to inspection and control by the Director of Public Health and the Fire Department. Failure of any householder producing refuse to subscribe to and pay for refuse collection, unless such householder is a tenant for whom refuse collection service is provided by his landlord, shall be prima facie evidence that such householder is disposing of refuse in violation of this ordinance.

Section 2. Section 3 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Refuse consisting of waste or discarded food, animal and vegetable

matter, discarded containers of food, animal and vegetable matter, and ashes shall be collected and placed in suitable metal cans of thirty gallons or less capacity by the producer or landlord who by reason of contract or lease with an occupant is obligated to care for such refuse, for collection by a refuse collector to be disposed of as herein provided. Waste paper and boxes and other refuse materials not subject to putrefaction, or decay, and cuttings from trees, lawns and gardens may be placed in any suitable container and delivered by the producer or landlord, who by reason of contract or lease with the occupant is obligated to care for such refuse and deliver same to a refuse collector, to be disposed of as herein provided; provided, however, that it shall be optional with the producer or landlord to deliver waste paper or other refuse having a commercial value to a refuse collector, and the producer or landlord may dispose of the same in any manner he may see fit. Any charge made by a refuse collector for removal from residences, flats or apartments of waste material not placed in metal cans shall not exceed rates fixed herein for collection and disposal of equivalent volumes of refuse. Refuse which under the provisions hereof must be deposited in a metal can of suitable capacity shall be removed daily from the place where the same is created.

Section 3. Section 6 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Section 6. The rates or charges for the collection and disposition of refuse as herein defined, by refuse collectors, shall be as follows:

Monthly rates from residences and flats for one container of not exceeding thirty gallons. Made from the ground floor:

*Collections Per Week.*

<i>No. Rooms</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>(4)</i>
1 to 4, incl. ....	\$ .60	\$ .75	\$1.00	\$1.30
5 .....	.65	.85	1.05	1.35
6 .....	.65	.85	1.05	1.40
7 .....	.75	1.00	1.15	1.45
8 .....	.80	1.10	1.30	1.50
9 .....	.85	1.15	1.35	1.60
10 .....	.90	1.25	1.45	1.75
11 .....	.95	1.30	1.50	1.80
12 .....	1.00	1.40	1.60	1.90

Monthly rates from residences and flats for one container of not exceeding thirty gallons. Made from second floor, one stairway above ground floor or basement:

*Collections Per Week.*

<i>No. Rooms</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>(4)</i>
1 to 4, incl. ....	\$ .65	\$ .85	\$1.05	\$1.35
5 .....	.75	.90	1.15	1.45
6 .....	.75	.95	1.30	1.50
7 .....	.80	1.05	1.35	1.60
8 .....	.90	1.25	1.45	1.70
9 .....	.95	1.30	1.50	1.75
10 .....	1.00	1.35	1.50	1.85
11 .....	1.00	1.40	1.60	1.90
12 .....	1.05	1.50	1.75	2.05

Monthly rates from residences and flats for one container of not exceeding thirty gallons. Made from third floor, two stairways above ground floor or basement:

*Collections Per Week.*

<i>No. Rooms</i>	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1 to 3, incl. ....	\$ .70	\$ .85	\$1.10	\$1.40
4 .....	.70	.85	1.35	1.45
5 .....	.75	.90	1.50	1.50
6 .....	.75	.90	1.60	1.70
7 .....	.90	1.30	1.70	1.80
8 .....	.95	1.40	1.80	1.85
9 .....	1.00	1.50	1.90	2.00
10 .....	1.00	1.50	2.05	2.10
11 .....	1.05	1.60	2.15	2.25
12 .....	1.10	1.75	2.25	2.35

Monthly rates from residences and flats for one container of not exceeding thirty gallons. Made from fourth floor, three stairways above ground floor or basement:

*Collections Per Week.*

<i>No. Rooms</i>	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1 to 3, incl. ....	\$ .70	\$ .95	\$1.35	\$1.60
4 .....	.70	.95	1.50	1.85
5 .....	.85	1.05	1.70	2.00
6 .....	.90	1.10	1.80	2.10
7 .....	1.00	1.45	1.90	2.20
8 .....	1.00	1.50	2.05	2.30
9 .....	1.05	1.70	2.15	2.40
10 .....	1.05	1.80	2.25	2.50
11 .....	1.10	1.90	2.35	2.65
12 .....	1.25	2.05	2.45	2.75

Monthly rates from apartment houses:

*Collections Per Week.*

<i>No. Rooms</i>	(6)	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
10 .....	\$2.40	\$1.90	\$1.70	\$1.50	\$1.40
20 .....	4.50	3.90	3.50	3.10	2.90
30 .....	6.30	5.10	4.70	4.10	.....
40 .....	7.80	6.90	5.90	.....	.....
50 .....	9.00	8.15	6.90	.....	.....
60 .....	10.00	9.20	.....	.....	.....
70 .....	11.00	10.30	.....	.....	.....
80 .....	12.00	11.20	.....	.....	.....
90 .....	13.00	12.10	.....	.....	.....
100 .....	14.00	12.90	.....	.....	.....
110 .....	15.20	.....	.....	.....	.....

No. Rooms	Collections per Week (6)	No. Rooms	Collections per Week (6)
120 .....	\$16.30	370 .....	\$43.00
130 .....	17.40	380 .....	45.00
140 .....	18.50	390 .....	46.00
150 .....	19.60	400 .....	47.00
160 .....	20.70	410 .....	47.20
170 .....	21.80	420 .....	48.30
180 .....	22.90	430 .....	49.40
190 .....	24.00	440 .....	50.50
200 .....	25.10	450 .....	51.60
210 .....	26.00	460 .....	52.70
220 .....	27.00	470 .....	53.80
230 .....	28.00	480 .....	54.90
240 .....	29.00	490 .....	56.00
250 .....	30.00	500 .....	57.10
260 .....	31.00	510 .....	58.20
270 .....	32.00	520 .....	59.30
280 .....	33.00	530 .....	60.40
290 .....	35.00	540 .....	61.50
300 .....	36.00	550 .....	62.60
310 .....	37.00	560 .....	63.70
320 .....	38.00	570 .....	65.80
330 .....	39.00	580 .....	65.90
340 .....	40.00	590 .....	67.00
350 .....	41.00	600 .....	68.00
360 .....	42.00		

Rates for residences and flats shall be increased for more than one container of a maximum of thirty gallons by 10 cents per additional container per collection.

The rates for more than 600 rooms in any one apartment house shall be subject to contract between the owner or lessee of the apartment house and a duly licensed refuse collector.

In determining the number of rooms of any household, building or apartment in order to ascertain the rate for the collection and disposition of refuse therefrom, halls, alcoves, storerooms, bathrooms, closets and toilets shall not be considered as rooms, nor shall basements or attics be considered as rooms unless the same be occupied as living quarters.

Any collection and disposition charges not specifically set forth herein shall be subject to contract between the producer and a duly licensed refuse collector.

Section 4. Section 10 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Section 10. Upon the payment of the rate fixed in this ordinance for the collection and removal of refuse, the person paying the same shall be entitled to, and there shall be delivered to him a receipt on which shall be shown the amount paid, the premises for which it is paid, the name and number of the collector, the number of the vehicle or wagon, and, in clearly legible print, the schedule of rates herein set forth for his classification of establishment. On the face of said receipt there shall be printed the following words: "The rates for the collection of refuse

are fixed by initiative ordinance and are printed on the back of this receipt. Complaints as to service should be made to the Department of Public Health."

Section 5. Section 11 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Section 11. Disputes over charges made by collectors or as to the character of the service performed shall be decided by the Director of Public Health. Any charges made in excess of rates fixed in this ordinance, when determined by the Director of Public Health, shall be refunded to the person or persons who paid the excess charge.

Section 6. Section 16 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Section 16. During the month of January each year the Controller of the City and County of San Francisco shall survey and examine into the rates to the producer for the collection and disposition of refuse, with a view to a reduction in such rates, and upon completion thereof shall report his conclusions to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors may by a two-thirds vote reduce the rates upon receipt of said report when found to be justified, and may by a two-thirds vote increase said rates, but not to exceed the rates herein set forth. The Board of Supervisors shall have no other right to amend this ordinance. Each collector holding a permit shall keep such records as may be required by the Controller to produce the information necessary for the purposes of this section. The records shall be made available to the Controller at his request. At intervals of six months the Controller shall furnish the Department of Public Health estimates of the cost per hour for refuse collections from establishments for which rates are not fixed in this ordinance.

Ordered submitted:—Board of Supervisors, San Francisco, September 23, 1946.

Ayes: Supervisors Christopher, Colman, Gallagher, Lewis, MacPhee, Mancuso, McMurray, Mead, Meyer, J. Joseph Sullivan, John J. Sullivan.—11.

I hereby certify that the foregoing bill was ordered submitted by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

John R. McGrath, Acting Clerk.