



## Legislation Text

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A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; amending and restating the initial assessment resolution; describing the method of assessing solid waste costs against residential property located in the City; determining the solid waste cost and the initial solid waste service assessments; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; and providing for an effective date.

Pursuant to City Code Section 54.187, Solid Waste Collection Fees, the City of Coral Gables charges and collects fees for garbage and trash collection by the City of Coral Gables. In 2015, the City Commission directed that any residential properties with delinquent Solid Waste Collection Fees in excess of \$850 that remain unpaid should be collected pursuant to the Uniform Method of Collection provided in Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Thereafter, the City Commission directed staff to transition all remaining past due amounts and the annual residential solid waste billings to collection as a special assessment on the 2016 annual ad valorem tax bill in accordance with section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

The City previously adopted the Master Service Assessment Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2015-09), which outlines the procedures for the annual implementation of service assessments and their collection pursuant to the Uniform Method of Collection.

Pursuant to the Master Service Assessment Ordinance, the first step for the imposition of the solid waste assessments is the adoption of an Initial Assessment Resolution. The Amended and Restated Initial Assessment Resolution for Solid Waste provides certain findings and definitions, including a definition of Residential Property that includes all condominiums, multi-family parcels of up to 4 dwelling units, and single family parcels that receive a residential, curbside solid waste collection service from the City. Further, any additional delinquent Solid Waste Collection Fees will be included as well. The Initial Assessment Resolution for Solid Waste establishes the initial Solid Waste Cost and the apportionment of those costs to Residential Properties, directs the preparation the assessment roll, establishes the public hearing for final adoption of the assessments on September 13, 2016, and directs the provision of notice thereof.

All residential property owners will have the ability to pay their solid waste assessment in full, at a discounted rate, on or before August 15, 2016, and be removed from the Assessment Roll. ]