CITY OF MEDICINE HAT

Bylaw 4898-2026

Medicine Hat

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT to amend Bylaw 1805, the Waste Bylaw.

WHEREAS Council considers it advisable to amend Bylaw 1805;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bylaw 1805 is amended as follows:

   (a) Schedule “A” is repealed and replaced with the new Schedule “A” attached to this Bylaw.

   (b) Schedule “B” is repealed and replaced with the new Schedule “B” attached to this Bylaw.

2. This Bylaw shall come into force on January 1, 2027.

READ A FIRST TIME in open Council on November 2, 2026.

READ A SECOND TIME in open Council on _____.

READ A THIRD TIME in open Council on _____.

SIGNED AND PASSED on _____.

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MAYOR – Linnsie Clark **CITY CLERK – Amanda Peterson**

SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW NO. 1805
AS AMENDED BY BYLAW NO. 4898-2026 – DECEMBER 7, 2026
(Effective January 1, 2027)

All rates and charges set out in this Schedule are payable by the customers to whom they apply, irrespective of the volume of waste (if any) generated at a given time, or over a period of time, by the customer for pick-up and disposal by the City.

1. RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL WASTE REMOVAL:

(A) Basic residential rate (per unit / per day):

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$0.6179	$0.6426

(**Note**: This rate applies to detached single family homes, duplexes, triplexes and fourplexes. All other buildings used in whole or in part for residential occupancy will be charged on the basis of the centralized pick-up rate, where applicable, or at commercial/industrial rates based on the number and capacity of bins, and frequency of service.)

(B) Rate for centralized collection (per unit / per day):

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$0.5185	$0.5392

(**Note:** This rate applies to residential buildings containing more than four dwelling units where all Residential Waste Carts and Yard Waste Carts are placed in a centralized location for collection. If more than one collection per week is required, the amount charged will be the monthly rate per unit multiplied by a factor equal to the number of collections per week, on average.). A customer whose Residential Waste or Residential Recyclables is collected in the manner described in this paragraph, shall comply with the provisions of this Bylaw pertaining to Residential Waste collection or Residential Recyclables collection, as the case may be, including the set out standards established by the CAO from time to time.

(C) Additional Residential Waste Cart rate (per unit / per day):

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$0.6179	$0.6426

2. RATES FOR COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL WASTE REMOVAL:

(A) Rate for customers without bins (per day):

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$0.9597	$0.9981

(**Note:** This rate applies to commercial/industrial premises that are not included in arrangements with the Solid Waste Utility for centralized pick-up. Where such arrangements have been made the rate/unit/month will be the same as the rate for centralized pick-up at residential premises, and will be subject to the same provisions for an increased charge if more than one pick-up per week is required.)

(B) Rates for customers with 3 yd^3 capacity bins:

For each weekly pick-up (per bin / per day)

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$3.9470	$4.1838

(C) Rates for customers with 1.5 yd^3 capacity bins:

For each weekly pick-up (per bin / per day)

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$1.9735	$2.0919

(D) Rate for extra bin pickup (per bin / per pickup)

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$30.02	$31.82

(E) A customer who requests the City to unlock a commercial bin or to open a gate in order to access a bin shall be charged a fee at the rate of $7.50 per five minutes of additional driver time, or portion thereof, for each pick-up pursuant to paragraph 2(B), 2(C) or 2(D). The fee for each customer shall be based on the City's estimate of the additional driver time required in order to access the bin.

3. TIPPING FEE FOR WASTE DISPOSAL AT SANITARY LANDFILL SITE

Landfill Disposal Rates (per tonne):

Waste Type	**Effective January 1, 2027**	**Effective January 1, 2028**
(A) Basic Sanitary Waste	$104.00	$108.00
(B) Non-Residential Yard Waste	$25.00	$25.00
(C) Clean Wood	$25.00	$25.00
(D) Clean Drywall	$25.00	$25.00
(E) Metal	$25.00	$25.00
(F) Asbestos **Plus Waste Requiring Special Handling Fee*	$175.00*	$175.00*
(G) Appliances Containing Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC)	$20.00/item	$20.00/item
(H) Bulky items (mattress, sofa, etc.)	$15.00/item	$15.00/item
(I) Waste Requiring Special Handling	$65.00	$65.00

The minimum tipping fee shall be $8.00 per vehicle.

A surcharge of $20.00 will be placed on any load that is not properly secured.

4. OTHER FEES AND CHARGES

(A)	Customer requested Service Change	$50.00
(B)	Replacement of lost or stolen cart	actual cost
(C)	Repairs to damaged cart	actual cost

(**Note:** The customer will be charged for repairs or replacement if the cart was lost, stolen or damaged due to the customer's neglect, as determined by the CAO.)

SCHEDULE "B" TO BYLAW NO. 1805
AS AMENDED BY BYLAW NO. 4898-2026 – DECEMBER 7, 2026
(Effective January 1, 2027)

WASTE DIVERSION CHARGE

1. Subject to Section 2 of this Schedule, the waste diversion charge, pursuant to Section 6.1(3) of this Bylaw, is:

Effective January 1, 2027	Effective January 1, 2028
$0.0904 per day	$0.0941 per day

2. Where the owners or occupants of residential premises within a building containing more than one residential premises do not receive utility bills, the person receiving monthly utility bills for the building in which the residential premises are located will pay the waste diversion charge and, in addition, pay the waste diversion charge multiplied by the number of residential premises in the building.