

Baldwin County Commission

Legislation Text

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Meeting Date: 4/7/2020

Item Status: New

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ITEM TITLE

Residential Garbage Collection Service Late Fees and Delinquency/Show Cause Processing during COVID-19 Pandemic

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY - In an effort to help ease the financial burden for residential customers impacted by coronavirus (COVID-19):

- 1) Discuss temporarily discontinuing the charging of late fees over the next 30-90 days; and
- 2) Discuss temporarily discontinuing the monthly Delinquency/Show Cause process which includes mailing of past due notices, scheduling and notification of Show Cause hearings and any associated court proceedings for the next 30-90 days.

We can reassess after each 30-day period, if preferred, based on the continued impact and evolving nature of the virus.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Previous Commission action/date: N/A

Background: BCC Policy #7.6 - Solid Waste Residential Garbage Service Rates and Account Late Fees allows for a \$10.00 late fee to be assessed monthly to any outstanding balance carried by a residential account. This policy also allows waiving of late fees in certain circumstances by authorized staff.

BCC Resolution #2017-020 (Section 12 - Enforcement) authorizes and outlines the Show Cause process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total cost of recommendation: N/A

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Budget line item(s) to be used: N/A

If this is not a budgeted expenditure, does the recommendation create a need for funding? $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$

LEGAL IMPACT

Is legal review necessary for this staff recommendation and related documents? N/A

Reviewed/approved by: N/A

Additional comments: N/A

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

Is advertising required for this recommendation? N/A

If the proof of publication affidavit is not attached, list the reason: N/A

FOLLOW UP IMPLEMENTATION

For time-sensitive follow up, select deadline date for follow up: N/A

Individual(s) responsible for follow up: Terri Graham, Development and Environmental Director

Action required (list contact persons/addresses if documents are to be mailed or emailed): N/A

Additional instructions/notes: N/A