

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. R-17-1127

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY,
WASHINGTON, RATIFYING A RATE REVISION FOR FIORITO
ENTERPRISES, INC., & RABANCO COMPANIES DBA KENT
MERIDIAN DISPOSAL & DBA REPUBLIC SERVICES OF KENT FOR
THE KING COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEE INCREASE
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2017 FOR THE RATEPAYERS IN THE 2009
ANNEXATION AREA KNOWN AS MAPLE RIDGE HIGHLANDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance 0-09-388, published on July 21, 2009, to annex the area known as Maple Ridge Highlands effective July 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.900 the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance O-09-390 granting a solid waste franchise to Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies, dba Kent Meridian Disposal Company dba Republic Service of Kent in September, 2009 for the statute required seven year plus three additional year to offset any potential measurable damages; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance O-09-390 requires all rates be subject to review by the Public Works Director, who shall provide a recommendation on proposed rate increases to the City Council the approval for which shall not be unreasonably withheld; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance O-09-390 requires the proposed rate increases be fair and reasonable and that compliance with Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) approved rates for similar services in the area is presumed fair and reasonable ; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan King County Council passed Ordinance 18377 in September 2016 enacting a solid waste disposal fee increase from the former \$120.17 per ton to \$134.59 per ton effective January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the disposal fee effects all residents and business in King County who pay for garbage collection services or who use the King County transfer and disposal system, and

WHEREAS, the disposal fee increase does not generate new revenue for area haulers, including Republic Services of Kent and pursuant to WAC 480.70.181 disposal fees are fees that pass-through to the ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies, dba Kent Meridian Disposal; dba (Republic Services) of Kent filed a Tariff Revision (TG-161217) with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission on November 15, 2016 to include the solid waste disposal fee increase into their rate structure; and

WHEREAS, the ratepayers were provided forty-five days advance notice of the disposal fee increase by publication for two consecutive weeks in the Voice of the Valley as well on the City of Maple Valley website; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission approved the Tariff filing at the December 22, 2016 Open Meeting thereby approving the solid waste disposal fee increase effective January 1, 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ratification. The City Council of the City of Maple Valley hereby ratifies Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies dba Kent-Meridian Disposal & dba Republic Services of Kent Tariff Revision for the solid waste disposal fee increase effective January 1, 2017 as approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission at the December 22, 2016 Open Meeting. A copy of the 2017 rates effective January 1, 2017 for the ratepayers in the 2009 annexation area known as Maple Ridge Highlands will be filed with the City Clerk and identified with Clerk's Receiving No. _____.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING THEREOF ON THE 9th DAY OF JANUARY 2017.

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY

Sean P. Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shaunna Lee Rice, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Patricia Taraday, City Attorney