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**COUNTY COUNCIL
SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

ORDINANCE NO. 01-059

**AMENDING CHAPTER 7.41, SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO
OPERATING RULES AND DISPOSAL FEES FOR SNOHOMISH COUNTY
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITES**

WHEREAS, the County is required by state law to assure that options are available for the safe disposal of moderate risk waste; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County's Solid Waste Management Division operates a Fixed Moderate Risk Waste Facility which accepts hazardous waste from households and businesses in the county; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Division is supported by fees charged at its facilities for services rendered; and

WHEREAS, environmentally safe disposal of moderate risk waste is in the best interests of the citizens of the county and disposal fees are set to encourage safe disposal; and

WHEREAS, the per drum fees created by this amendment offer an additional incentive for safe disposal by qualified businesses,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 7.41.020, last amended by Ordinance 98-129, on November 23, 1998, is amended to read:

7.41.020 Solid waste disposal fee schedule.

(1) All persons using county-operated solid waste disposal sites shall pay the service fees set forth in this chapter. Listed fees are subject to applicable taxes.

(2) Services fees for solid waste disposal shall be based upon measured weights whenever possible. In the absence of weight information, service fees shall be based upon the cubic yard; except that all passenger cars shall be charged a flat rate regardless of weight or volume.

(3) In the absence of exact measurements of weight or quantity, the estimate of the director shall be final and binding on the user.

(4) Service fees for materials determined by the director to be bulky or hard-to-handle wastes or other wastes not on the accepted list but which have already been deposited, shall be based upon the schedules in SCC 7.41.020(6).

(5) Service fees do not apply to specific source separated recyclable materials accepted by county-operated solid waste disposal sites for recycling, except for those materials for which specific fees have been designated in SCC 7.41.020.

(6) Service fees for urban and rural transfer stations and drop boxes for the disposal of mixed solid waste shall be as follows:

- (a) Passenger cars — \$14.58
- (b) Fees based on weight — \$89.00 per ton/\$14.58 min. fee
- (c) Pickups, station wagons, vans, etc. — \$16.17 per cubic yd./\$16.17 min. fee
- (d) Commercial compacted — \$27.03 per cubic yd.
- (e) Hard-to-handle — \$200.00 per ton

(7) Service fees for separated yard debris shall be the same as those listed in subsection (6).

(8) Service fees for disposal of clean wood, except Christmas trees between December 26 and March 31, at those county facilities which have designated containers for clean wood collection shall be as follows:

- (a) Passenger cars — \$13.00
- (b) Fees based on weight — \$79.00 per ton/\$13.00 min. fee
- (c) Pickups, station wagons, vans, etc. — \$14.25 per cu. yd./\$14.25 min. fee

(9) Service fees for disposal of Christmas trees between December 26 and March 31 shall be \$5.00 per tree. Regular service fees shall apply at all other times.

(10) Service fees for disposal of vector wastes at the Vector Waste Decant Facility at the Cathcart Landfill shall be as follows:

- (a) A flat fee of \$31.11 per trip shall be the minimum fee.
- (b) In addition to the flat fee, a fee of \$56.50 per ton of solid material.
- (c) All users of the Vector Decant Facility will establish a credit account with the Solid Waste Management Division in accordance with the provisions of SCC 7.41.030. No cash will be accepted at this facility.
- (d) After six months of operation and at six month intervals thereafter, and after review of revenue and expenditure data, the County Executive may, after notifying the County Council, increase or decrease either the flat fee or the per ton fee for vector waste in order to ensure sufficient revenue is generated to operate the vector waste decant facility at the lowest possible cost to the user.

(11) Service fees for the disposal of hazardous waste at the Fixed Moderate Risk Waste Facility by small quantity generators shall be based on the actual disposal cost to the County of the materials offered for disposal. Plus a \$1.50 per gallon or \$.20 per pound surcharge for handling and processing. Uncontaminated Motor Oil and Antifreeze will be accepted for recycling for a fee of \$25 and \$60 respectively per 55 gallon drum. Non-halogenated flammable liquids and oil base paint, bulked in 55 gallon drums, will be accepted for disposal for a fee of \$114 and \$173 respectively. There is no service fee for the disposal of household generated hazardous waste at this facility.

Passed this 29th day of Aug., 2001.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council, Asst.

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