

**ORDINANCE 05-14**

**AN ORDINANCE** amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laurens, Iowa, 2013 by amendment to Garbage and Solid Waste Rates.

BE IT ENACTED by the council of the City of Laurens, Iowa:

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Laurens, Iowa is amended by repealing and replacing Chapter 106.07(1)(A and B), Collection Fees:

Beginning July 1, 2014 and thereafter:

- (1) Each household is charged a basic fee of \$10.04 per month for garbage pickup.
- (2) Each household is charged a basic fee of \$10.14 per month for landfill fees. Included in the basic fee is a limit of two garbage bags. All garbage must be in a garbage bag. Garbage bags exceeding the two-bag limit must have a City of Laurens garbage sticker applied to it. The stickers are available from City Hall for \$1.00 fee per sticker. All garbage not in a garbage bag must have a stick or stickers applied to it at a rate set by the City. The maximum capacity of the garbage bag shall not exceed 33 gallons, and no filled bag shall exceed 75 pounds of weight. Garbage bags exceeding the two-bag limit which do not have a City sticker applied to them or which weigh more than 75 pounds will not be picked up.
- (3) All commercial businesses on file in the office of the Clerk shall pay monthly to the City a landfill fee in the minimum amount of \$17.47 or \$0.08 per pound for weights over 218 pounds. The per-pound rate and the minimum charge will be adjusted proportionally to the rate established by the County Solid Waste Commission.
- (4) The landfill rate computed for each quarter shall be based on previous quarter's weighing. The only exception to this rule is if the City or the business requests a weighing of the garbage on or about the day of pickup. Records of each weighing shall be maintained.
- (5) In the event of a vacancy of a business, the minimum landfill fee of \$17.47 shall be assessed. If the utilities of water and electricity for any business are disconnected and garbage receptacles are removed, then no fee shall be assessed for that business place.
- (6) The monthly garbage fees for commercial facilities are as follows:

One dumpster – 1 pickup per week	\$29.12
Two dumpsters – 1 pickup per week	45.76
Three dumpsters – 1 pickup per week	62.40
Four dumpsters – 1 pickup per week	91.52
Five dumpsters – 1 pickup per week	108.16
Light Commercial Rate (single pickup per Week with no dumpsters)	24.96

Multiple pickups per week will be the single pickup rate multiplied by the table listed below:

- 2 pickups per week=number of dumpsters multiplied by 1.5
- 3 pickups per week=number of dumpsters multiplied by 2
- 4 pickups per week=number of dumpsters multiplied by 2.25

REPEALER: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY CLAUSE: If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or and section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

WHEN EFFECTIVE: This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Laurens City Council on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

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Gary Heuton, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Barbara Smith, City Clerk/Manager