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Minutes - Final

Legislative Hearings

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9:00 AM

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Delinquent Garbage Hauling Assessments

9:00 a.m. Hearings

- 1 **RLH TA 26-66** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 621 CALIFORNIA AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG25Q3B2, Assessment No. 260131)

Sponsors: Kim

Reduce assessment from \$140.74 to \$113.19.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: Public Works staff removed bag charges from neighboring address by accident. PO was charged for bags that belonged to neighbor at 1661 Payne Ave. However, when to correction was processed, the property at 1665 Payne Ave was adjusted due to ticket processing error on the GIS Map. The time to adjust without a hearing had past when the error was discovered. Staff recommends reducing assessment to \$113.19

Moermond: the address we're talking about is 621 California and the problem was at 1661 Payne, a cross street. Recommend reduction to \$113.19.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 2 **RLH TA 26-76** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 258 MACALESTER STREET (File No. CG25Q3B1, Assessment No. 260130)

Sponsors: Jost

Reduce assessment from \$424.74 to \$298.01.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner was billed for an inaccurate number of bags. The property owner was charged for 36 extra bags on August 25. Public Works staff asked for photo documentation from FCC Environmental. The garbage hauler (FCC) provided an image, and requested we reduce

the extra garbage bag charges by 23 bags. Staff recommends reducing assessment to \$298.01.

Moermond: FCC is asking for the reduction and we lack full documentation for the extra charge. Is our payment to the hauler decreased?

Barden: yes.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 3 RLH TA 26-69** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 15 NELSON STREET. (File No. CG25Q3B1, Assessment No. 260130)

Sponsors: Johnson

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: There was a fire in October 2024 and hold information did not transfer. The property owner called Waste Management and cancelled account in October due to fire at the property. The hold information/cancellation did not transfer to Public Works during the hauler transition. Staff recommends removing assessment.

Moermond: they had filed the paperwork they should have but it wasn't transferred properly to the City from the old hauler. Recommend deletion.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 4 RLH TA 26-75** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1240 RICE STREET (File No. CG25Q3B2, Assessment No. 263131)

Sponsors: Kim

Reduce assessment from \$140.74 to \$113.19.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner was charged for five extra bags on September 6, 2025. Public Works asked the hauler to provide an image, and they could not produce one, so the hauler requested we remove the charges. Staff recommends reducing assessment to \$113.19.

Moermond: recommend that reduction noting the amount the hauler sent for reimbursement will be decreased in their payment.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 5 RLH TA 26-72** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 570 SELBY AVENUE #3 (File No. CG25Q3B1, Assessment No. 260130)

Sponsors: Bowie

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner did not have a cart but was billed for service. Staff confirmed that the property owner did not have active service with previous hauler but was for service starting April 2025. The property owner also reported he did not have a cart. Staff removed the Quarter 2 bill and stated the Quarter 3 bill would be removed but there was an error and the Quarter 3 bill was not removed. The property owner is now set up with an every other week cart. Staff recommends removing the assessment.

Moermond: the cart share situation was the confusing piece. They can't be shared for condos. We have it corrected, the misinformation is cleared up, we'll recommend deletion.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

10:00 a.m. Hearings

- 6 RLH TA 26-63** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1205 EDGERTON STREET (File No. CG25Q3B3, Assessment No. 260132)

Sponsors: Kim

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: Category 2 Vacant house Billed for Service. Registered as a Vacant Building since December 11, 2023 and was billed for service. Staff recommends removing assessment.

Moermond: the owner got a service hold from the previous hauler?

Barden: I assume so, it didn't transfer.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 7 RLH TA 26-60** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 289 FRONT AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)

Sponsors: Bowie

Reduce assessment from \$162.78 to \$113.19.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner was charged for extra bags that were in her neighbor's cart. We have photos showing the bags in that cart. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$113.19.

Moermond: eliminating that extra bag charge. Recommend the reduction.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 8 RLH TA 26-67** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 416

HOPE STREET (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)

Sponsors: Johnson

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: this is a vacant lot that was billed for service. Cart was used by the neighboring mixed-use property without authorization. Staff recommends removing the assessment.

Moermond: this is a vacant lot. Has this been removed from the program?

Barden: yes, and the cart picked up.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 9 RLH TA 26-61** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1142 HUBBARD AVENUE (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)

Sponsors: Coleman

Reduce assessment from \$226.38 to \$113.19.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner was billed for two 64 gallon carts, but only has 1 at the property. This happened when prorated charges were being calculated in Quarter 2. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$113.19.

Moermond: recommend the reduction noting they were billed for 2 carts and only had one. Not double billed for 2.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 10 RLH TA 26-55** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 853 JOHNSON PARKWAY. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 261033)

Sponsors: Yang

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: this property had a Unoccupied Dwelling Registration Form that wasn't properly applied during transition from the previous hauler. Staff processed Quarter 2 billing to account for the missed hold, and created a new ticket for an Unoccupied Dwelling Registration Form starting July 2025. That hold wasn't applied to the final Quarter 3 billing and was incorrectly billed for service. Staff recommends removing the assessment.

Moermond: so recommend the deletion.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 11 RLH TA 26-73** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1099 KILBURN STREET. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)
- Sponsors:** Kim
- Reduce assessment from \$135.04 to \$93.71.*
- No one appeared*
- Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner had scheduled 2 bulky items to be collected at two different properties, however they were both scheduled independently for the same location. It was caught and address corrected for pickup but the billing was not adjusted properly. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$93.71.*
- Moermond: so recommend the reduction.*
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 12 RLH TA 26-68** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1147 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)
- Sponsors:** Yang
- Delete the assessment.*
- No one appeared*
- Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner had placed a Unoccupied Dwelling Registration Form on the account due to a Fire in April of 2024 but billing wasn't updated properly for Quarter 3 and property owner was charged. Staff recommends removing the assessment.*
- Moermond: recommend deletion.*
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**

Special Tax Assessments

11:00 a.m. Hearings

- 13 RLH TA 26-57** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 649 ASBURY STREET (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)
- Sponsors:** Coleman
- Delete the assessment.*
- No one appeared*
- Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner had placed a service hold with the previous hauler after the property owner passed away in 2024. That information didn't transfer over during program transition. Staff recommends removing the assessment.*

Moermond: so recommended.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 14 RLH TA 26-74** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 994 CARROLL AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)

Sponsors: Bowie

Reduce assessment from \$58.47 to \$32.94.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner had requested a service hold from August 21, 2025 to February 26, 2026 and it wasn't applied. Staff recommend reducing the assessment to \$32.94.

Moermond: so recommend the reduction.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 15 RLH TA 26-58** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 993 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)

Sponsors: Bowie

Reduce assessment from \$550.12 to \$275.06.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner's mother passed away August 2025. Son just discovered they were being charged for four 96-gallon carts, but there were only 2 at the property due to information import error during the program transition. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$275.06.

Moermond: what kind of property is this? Is it a single-family home? Duplex?

Barden: single-family home.

Moermond: with four carts?

Barden: when we transferred everything it got doubled, I think.

Moermond: so recommend the reduction.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 16 RLH TA 26-71** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1014 EUCLID STREET. (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)

Sponsors: Johnson

Reduce assessment from \$570.30 to \$278.27.

Antonio Burns, owner/landlord, appeared via phone

[Moermond gives background of appeals process]

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner had only one cart but was being billed for 2 and billed weekly for extra bags. Public Works staff confirmed with the route driver that there was only one cart on site. . The PO is unsure when the second cart went missing but noted it had been missing "a while." PO was charged for 58 extra bags in the quarter and also charged for second nonexistent medium (64 gallon) cart. If we apply the capacity of the missing cart (5 bags per week) to the average, the bag count is reduced to 11. Staff recommends reducing bill to \$311.33

Burns: I was looking at it from the standpoint that I was charged when one of the cans was missing, also one of the recycling bins. I didn't have one of those either, I know that's an annual fee. I guess if you can do the bag thing something is better than nothing. I think it was people dumping trash by the bins, because they were sitting in the alley. How can I be responsible? It is my property.

Moermond: have you got both your carts and the recycling carts back again?

Burns: yes.

Moermond: the difference in the bill is between the extra bags charged on top of the medium cart. I wish that you and your tenants would have identified earlier you are missing a cart. Can you talk about whether there is space in the yard away from the alley?

Burns: there is, and I told the tenants to start pulling them up by the house. They've been informed. It should be fine from here on out. I guess we will see.

Moermond: the 11 bags comes to?

Barden: it is \$5.51 after taxes.

Moermond: I'll get you down to \$278.27. That's reducing the bags from 11 down to 5.

Burns: I'm fine with that.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

17 RLH TA 26-64

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1878 ROBLYN AVENUE (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)

Sponsors: Coleman

Delete the assessment.

No one appeared

Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: property owner isn't renting at the moment and rarely visits due to health issues. Staff informed property owner we would remove the bill, but billing wasn't adjusted correctly. Staff recommends removing the assessment.

Moermond: so recommend deletion.

Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026

- 18 RLH TA 26-59** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1106 SUBURBAN AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)
- Sponsors:** Johnson
- Reduce assessment from \$209.16 to \$157.57.*
- No one appeared*
- Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner was charged for 13 bags when they should have only been charged for 4. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$157.57 which is the standard cart charge plus four bags.*
- Moermond: recommend the reduction.*
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 19 RLH TA 26-77** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 466 VAN DYKE STREET (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)
- Sponsors:** Johnson
- Reduce assessment from \$154.06 to \$137.53.*
- No one appeared*
- Staff report by Jillian Barden, Public Works: the property owner was charged for extra bags on August 27, 2025. FCC Environmental provided an image showing the bags belong to the neighboring property. Staff recommends reducing the assessment to \$137.53.*
- Moermond: incorrect billing, recommend the reduction.*
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**

Special Tax Assessments-ROLLS

- 20 RLH AR 26-20** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. CG25Q3B1, Assessment No. 260130)
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 21 RLH AR 26-21** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. CG25Q3B2, Assessment No. 260131)
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**

- 22 RLH AR 26-22** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. CG25Q3B3, Assessment No. 260132)
- Sponsors: Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 23 RLH AR 26-23** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)
- Sponsors: Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 24 RLH AR 26-24** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. CG25Q3B5, Assessment No. 260134)
- Sponsors: Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**
- 25 RLH AR 26-25** Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Yard Waste Bills for services during July to September 2025. (File No. YW25Q3B1, Assessment No. 250501)
- Sponsors: Noecker
- Referred to the City Council due back on 4/15/2026**