



MEMORANDUM

City of Venice

Public Works Department

TO: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

FROM: James R. Clinch PE, Director of Public Works and Asset Management

DATE: November 19, 2018

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes

MEETING DATE: November 27, 2018

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Provide Efficient, Responsive Government with High Quality Services

SUBJECT: Recycling Fee Surcharge Resolution No. 2018-34

Background: Due to current macro-economic conditions, there has been a worldwide loss in demand for recyclable materials. While this is likely a temporary market condition, it has caused a rapid drop in prices for these materials and is affecting communities all around the world. Effective 10/01/2018 our Recycling Hauler & Processor has raised costs approximately \$120 per Ton. These 3rd party costs were not accounted for in the recent Kessler Rate Study or the FY2019 Budget, and action is necessary to allow our recycling program to continue operations. Solid Waste and Recycling is an enterprise fund, which is solely funded by user fees.

In coordination with the Finance Department, we have reviewed the current fund balances and recycling rates to develop a Recycling Fee Surcharge of 23%, which will allow Venice to continue operating its recycling program. The proposed Resolution will allow the surcharge rate to be adjusted easily in the future as market conditions change.

Requested Action: Adoption of Resolution No. 2018-34

City Attorney Review/Approved: Yes

Risk Management Review: N/A

Finance Department Review/Approved: Yes

Funds Availability (account number): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

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