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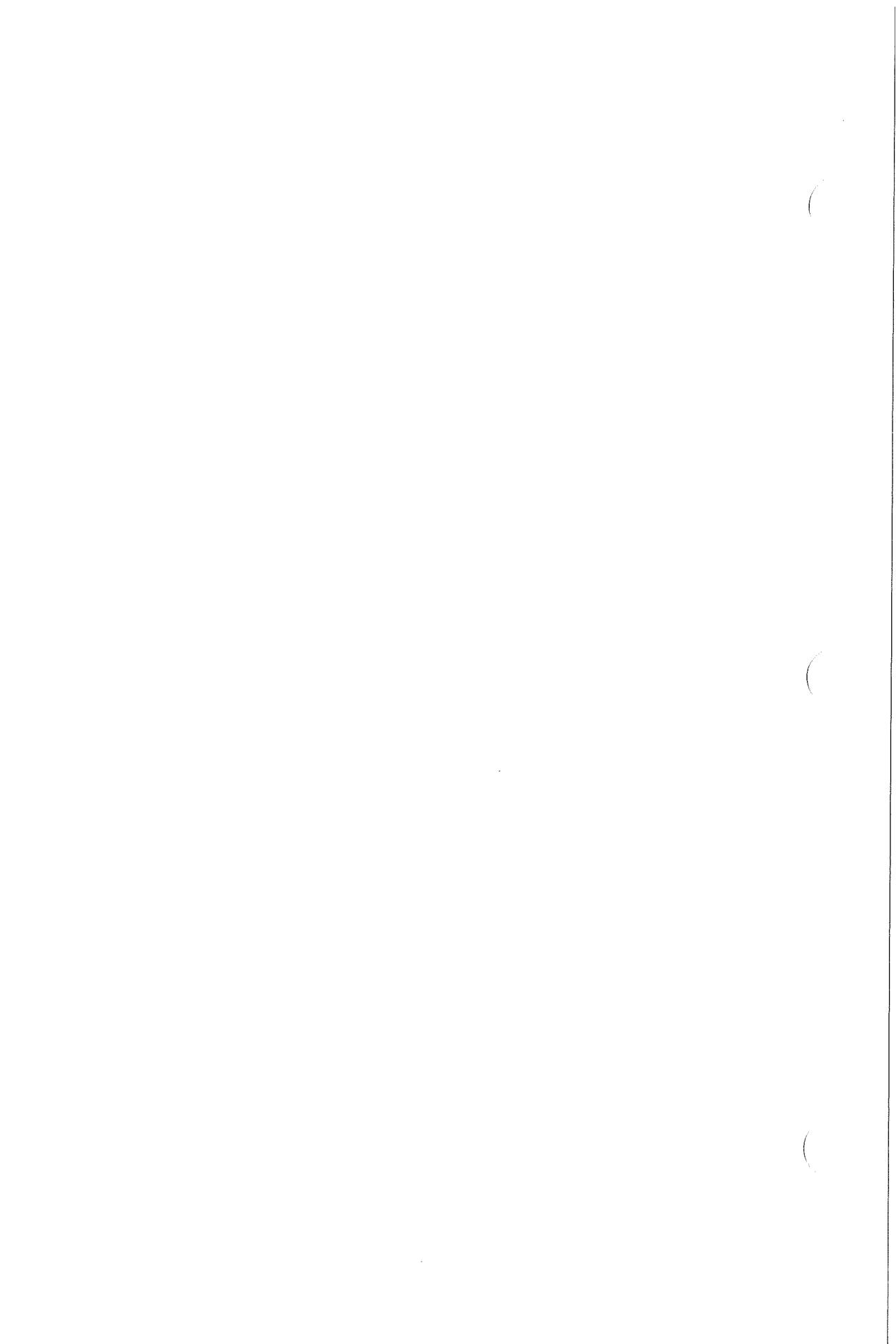
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**14.04.010 Definitions.** A. "ALLEY" means a public or private way giving access to the rear of lots or buildings.

B. "APARTMENT HOTEL" means a building providing accommodations for transient guests in which at least fifty percent of the gross habitable floor area is used by permanent residents.

C. "APARTMENT HOUSE" means a building or portion thereof containing five or more dwelling units.

D. "BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS" means the board of public works of the city of Seattle.

E. "BOARDING OR ROOMING HOUSE" means a building other than a hotel, where meals and room, or rooms only, are provided for compensation for seven or more nontransient persons.

F. "CITY" means the city of Seattle.

G. "CITY ENGINEER" means the city engineer of the city of Seattle and authorized employees.

H. "CONTRACTOR" means those contracting with the city to collect and dispose of garbage and rubbish as herein described, or the authorized representative of such contractors.

I. "DETACHABLE CONTAINER" means a watertight, all-metal container, not less than one-half cubic yard in capacity and equipped with a tight fitting metal cover. Containers two cubic yards and under shall be equipped with at least three wheels.

J. "DWELLING UNIT" in addition to its ordinary meaning includes a room or suite of rooms used as a residence and which has cooking facilities therein, but does not include housetrailer in trailer courts, nor rooms in hotels or motels.

K. "FRATERNITY, SORORITY OR GROUP STUDENT HOUSE" means a building occupied by and maintained exclusively for students affiliated with an academic or professional college or university or other re-

cognized institution of higher learning, which is regulated by such institution.

L. "GARBAGE" means all discarded putrescible waste matter, including small dead animals weighing not over fifteen pounds, but not including sewage or human or animal excrement.

M. "GARBAGE CAN" means a round watertight sheet metal raised bottom container not exceeding thirty-two gallons in capacity, weighing not over twenty-six pounds when empty and without cover, fitted with two sturdy handles one on each side and a tight cover equipped with a handle, except in the case of "sunken cans." The term shall also apply to containers of other material of similar size and weight when approved by the city engineer.

N. "ORDINANCE UNIT" means one box or carton empty or filled with rubbish as herein defined, one small shrub or small tree, or bundle of rubbish, securely bundled so that none of the material blows about and so it is not easily broken apart and which is of such size that the longest dimension does not exceed three feet, the volume does not exceed twelve cubic feet and the total weight does not exceed eighty pounds, and is in good condition for handling at the time of collection.

O. "RUBBISH" means all discarded nonputrescible waste matter.

P. "REFUSE" means either garbage or rubbish or both garbage and rubbish.

Q. "REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE" and "DISPOSAL SITE" means the areas or facilities designated by the city for the disposal of garbage and rubbish including landfills, transfer stations and municipal incinerators.

R. "STREET" means a public or private way, other than "alleys," used for public travel.

S. "SUNKEN CAN" means garbage cans which are in a sunken covered receptacle specifically designed to contain garbage cans and where the top of the garbage can is approximately at ground level. (Ord. 96003 § 1; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.020 Where garbage may be deposited.** It is unlawful for anyone to deposit, throw, keep or place any garbage or rubbish on any property public or private or in any lane, alley, street or public place except in garbage cans, or detachable containers where authorized or in ordinance units as herein described, placed on private property or on the street or alley when necessary or required, or upon a refuse disposal site. (Ord. 96003 § 2; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.030 Authority to haul garbage.** It is unlawful for anyone, except the following, to haul garbage through the streets in the city of Seattle:

- (a) The University of Washington or its contractor.
- (b) Military establishments or their contractors.
- (c) The city's garbage contractors.

(d) Anyone authorized to collect garbage in the city under RCW 81.77.

(e) Business concerns, as to garbage originating within their own establishments. (Ord. 96003 § 3; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.040 Number of containers and ordinance units for collection.** All occupants of residences and other dwelling units shall have and use a sufficient number of garbage cans to hold all of their garbage and ashes. Additional amounts of rubbish, bundled in ordinance units as hereinafter defined, may be set out for collection. Up to two ordinance units per collection may be set out for each garbage can used from all single family, two family, three family, and four family residences. One ordinance unit per collection may be set out for each garbage can used at an apartment house, fraternity, sorority, group student house, apartment hotel, boarding or rooming house, or nursing home; provided that where detachable containers are authorized no ordinance units shall be allowed. Ashes shall be placed in garbage cans or detachable containers but hot ashes shall not be set out for collection. No garbage shall be placed in ordinance units. (Ord. 96003 § 4; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.050 Condition of cans and containers.** All garbage cans and detachable containers shall be kept tightly covered and in good condition for garbage storage and handling, and garbage cans and detachable containers which leak or have jagged edges or holes shall not be used. The city engineer, at the request of the contractor, in writing, shall determine whether or not the condition of any garbage can is satisfactory for use. (Ord. 96003 § 5; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.060 Weight of full garbage can.** No garbage can, when filled, shall weigh more than eighty pounds, and it shall be so packed that the contents thereof will dump out rapidly when the can is inverted. (Ord. 96003 § 6; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.070 Placement of cans and ordinance units.** All garbage cans and ordinance units shall be placed by the occupant in a convenient, accessible location as near as practicable to the approximate rear of the building or near the alley, upon the ground level or ground floor, or in a sturdy rack not over fourteen inches above such level or floor, except that sunken cans may be below the ground level. Where no other suitable area is available, garbage cans or ordinance units may be placed on the sidewalk or in the alley for collection, but shall not be so placed until a reasonable time prior to collection and shall be removed within a reasonable time thereafter. Detachable containers may be stored within a building but shall be readily accessible for servicing without necessary delay or special collection equipment. (Ord. 96003 § 7; August 2, 1967).

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**14.04.080 Overhead clearance of walks.** All walks, paths, and driveways from the garbage can storage area to the place of loading shall have an unrestricted overhead clearance of not less than eight feet. (Ord. 96003 § 8; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.090 Tampering with containers.** It is unlawful for anyone other than the owner or one authorized by him to deposit any material in any garbage can or detachable container or to remove the cover therefrom or to remove or disturb any of the contents thereof except for collection. (Ord. 96003 § 9; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.100 Direction and supervision.** The city engineer is authorized and directed to supervise and manage the collection and disposal of garbage and rubbish hereunder and to provide and supervise places for the disposal thereof, and shall have general charge of supervision over the administration and enforcement of this chapter. (Ord. 96003 § 10; August 2, 1967).

**14.04.110 Penalty for violation.** Anyone violating or failing to comply with any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the city jail for a period of not exceeding six months or by both such fine and imprisonment. (Ord. 96003 § 11; August 2, 1967).

### Chapter 14.06

#### COLLECTION RATES AND CHARGES

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**14.06.010 Definitions.** The meaning of terms and words as used herein shall be as follows:

A. **DWELLING UNIT** means a room or suite of rooms designed for and occupied by a person or persons doing their own cooking therein and intended for use as a residence, but shall not include house trailers in trailer courts, nor rooms in hotels or motels.

B. **APARTMENT HOUSE** shall mean a building or portion thereof containing five or more dwelling units.

C. **BOARDING OR ROOMING HOUSE** shall mean a building other than a hotel, where meals and room, or rooms only, are provided for compensation for seven or more nontransient persons.

D. **FRATERNITY, SORORITY OR GROUP STUDENT HOUSE** shall mean a building occupied by and maintained exclusively for students affiliated with an academic or professional college or university or other recognized institution of higher learning, which is regulated by such institution.

E. **APARTMENT HOTEL** shall mean a building providing accommodations for transient guests in which at least fifty percent of the gross habitable floor area is used by permanent residents.

F. **DISPOSAL SITE** shall mean the areas and facilities owned, leased, or controlled by the city for the disposal of garbage, rubbish, and other waste material. (Ord. 90379 § 10; July 18, 1961).

**14.06.020 Garbage collection and disposal operated as public utility.** Public necessity requires that the existing system of the city of Seattle for the collection and disposal of garbage, rubbish and trade and other waste, together with such extensions, additions and betterments thereto as may from time to time be authorized, maintained, conducted and operated as a public utility of said city beginning September 1, 1961, and the rates and charges herein provided for shall be effective as of that date. (Ord. 90379 § 1; July 18, 1961).

**14.06.030 Administration and accounts.** The city engineer, through the department of engineering, shall operate and administer such public utility and enforce this chapter; and there shall be kept by him a classified system of accounts of revenues and disbursements as prescribed by the State Auditor, Division of Municipal Corporations, in conjunction with the city comptroller, as required by law in such connection. (Ord. 90379 § 2; July 18, 1961).

**14.06.040 Imposition of rates and charges.** The city of Seattle hereby fixes rates and charges as provided in Section 14.06.050 hereof, for the collection and disposal of garbage and rubbish as defined by Chapter 14.04 of this code from the residences and other dwelling units referred to in said Section 14.06.050. (Ord. 90379 § 3; July 18, 1961).

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14.06.050 Schedule of rates and charges. There is hereby imposed upon all residences and other dwelling units within the city of Seattle a charge for garbage and rubbish collection and disposal service in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) All single-family residences: A charge of two dollars per month, or portion thereof, for each dwelling unit for once-a-week service, billed directly to the owner or tenant thereof, provided the owner or operator of a houseboat moorage containing three or more houseboats shall pay the charges for the entire moorage at a rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per month for each dwelling unit for once-a-week service.

(b) All two-family residences: A charge of three dollars and fifty cents per month or portion thereof, for once-a-week service billed directly to the owner or agent for the entire building.

(c) All three and four-family residences or other dwelling units: A charge of one dollar and twenty-five cents per month for each available dwelling unit for once-a-week service billed directly to the owner or agent for the entire building.

(d) All dwelling units within apartment houses and apartment hotels larger than four units: A charge of one dollar and twenty-five cents per month for each available dwelling unit for three-times-a-week service billed directly to the owner or agent of such apartment house or apartment hotel for the entire building.

(e) All boarding, rooming, fraternity, sorority and group student houses shall be charged a monthly rate as follows:

Up to 15 residences .....	\$ 6.00;
From 16 to 30 residences .....	12.00;
From 31 to 45 residences .....	19.00;
From 46 to 60 residences .....	26.00;
Over 60 residences .....	33.00;

for three-times-a-week service.

(f) All housing projects under the jurisdiction of a public housing authority for the University of Washington: A charge of one dollar and twenty-five cents per month for each available dwelling unit for once-a-week service.

Provided, that the charges imposed by subsections (d), (e) and (f) and the proviso of subsection (a) where imposed upon five or more houseboats, shall not apply to dwelling units which elect to use detachable containers supplied by the city's contractor for the storage of garbage and rubbish. Application for detachable container service for a minimum period of six months shall be made to the city engineer on forms supplied by him, and collection of garbage and rubbish from such premises shall be made at such frequency as is necessary as determined by the city engineer, but in no event less than once each week. The monthly charges for detachable container service for the container and frequency selected shall be in ac-

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cordance with the rates set forth in Section 14.06.055. (Ord. 90379 § 4 as amended by Ord. 94022, Ord. 94711 and Ord. 96301; December 7, 1967).

**14.06.055 Detachable container rates. (A) ONE CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.**

<b>Collection Per Week</b>				
<b>Number of Containers</b>	<b>One</b>	<b>Two</b>	<b>Three</b>	<b>Over Three</b>
One .....	\$ 10.70	\$ 18.00	\$ 24.90	\$ 6.90 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Two .....	19.30	33.10	46.70	13.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Three .....	27.60	48.05	68.55	20.50 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Four .....	35.80	63.05	90.35	27.30 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Five .....	43.90	78.10	112.20	34.10 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Six .....	52.10	93.05	134.00	40.95 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Seven .....	60.30	108.05	155.85	47.80 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Eight .....	68.45	123.10	177.70	54.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Nine .....	76.65	138.05	199.50	61.45 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Ten .....	84.85	153.05	221.30	68.25 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Each Container over ten .....	8.20	15.00	21.85	6.80 / Addnl Weekly Collection

**(B) TWO CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.**

<b>Collection Per Week</b>				
<b>Number of Containers</b>	<b>One</b>	<b>Two</b>	<b>Three</b>	<b>Over Three</b>
One .....	\$ 21.40	\$ 36.00	\$ 49.80	\$ 13.80 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Two .....	38.60	66.20	93.40	27.20 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Three .....	55.20	96.10	137.10	41.00 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Four .....	71.60	126.10	180.70	54.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Five .....	87.80	156.20	224.40	68.20 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Six .....	104.20	186.10	268.00	81.90 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Seven .....	120.60	216.10	311.70	95.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Eight .....	136.90	246.20	355.40	109.20 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Nine .....	153.30	276.10	399.00	122.90 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Ten .....	169.70	306.10	442.60	136.50 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Each Container over Ten .....	16.40	30.00	43.70	13.70 / Addnl Weekly Collection

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(C) FOUR CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER

Collection Per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three	Over Three
One .....	\$ 29.85	\$ 57.40	\$ 81.55	\$ 24.15 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Two .....	62.80	111.15	159.50	48.35 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Three .....	92.35	164.90	237.40	72.50 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Four .....	121.95	218.65	315.35	96.70 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Five .....	151.50	272.40	393.30	120.90 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Six .....	181.10	326.15	471.25	145.10 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Seven .....	210.65	379.95	549.20	169.25 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Eight .....	240.25	433.70	627.10	193.40 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Nine .....	269.80	487.45	705.05	217.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Ten .....	299.40	541.20	783.00	241.80 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Each Container over				
Ten .....	29.60	53.75	77.75	24.15 / Addnl Weekly Collection

(D) SIX CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

Collection Per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three	Over Three
One .....	\$ 40.40	\$ 67.30	\$ 94.25	\$ 26.95 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Two .....	75.40	129.25	183.05	53.80 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Three .....	110.45	191.15	271.90	80.75 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Four .....	145.45	253.10	360.70	107.60 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Five .....	180.45	315.00	449.55	134.55 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Six .....	215.45	376.90	538.40	161.50 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Seven .....	250.50	438.85	627.20	188.35 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Eight .....	285.50	500.75	716.05	215.30 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Nine .....	320.50	562.70	804.90	242.20 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Ten .....	355.50	624.60	893.70	269.10 / Addnl Weekly Collection
Each Container over				
Ten .....	35.00	61.90	88.85	26.90 / Addnl Weekly Collection

(E) EIGHT CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

Collections per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three
One .....	\$ 58.10	\$ 96.25	\$134.40
Two .....	108.20	184.50	260.80
Three .....	154.30	268.75	383.20
Four .....	192.40	345.00	497.60
Five .....	230.50	421.25	612.00

## (F) TEN CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

## Collections per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three
One .....	\$ 66.15	\$107.30	\$148.50
Two .....	122.30	204.60	287.00
Three .....	173.45	296.90	420.50
Four .....	214.60	379.20	544.00
Five .....	255.75	461.50	667.50

## (G) TWELVE CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

## Collections per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three
One .....	\$ 86.50	\$147.95	\$209.60
Two .....	163.00	285.90	409.20
Three .....	234.50	418.85	603.80
Four .....	296.00	541.80	788.40
Five .....	357.50	664.75	973.00

## (H) SIXTEEN CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

## Collections per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three
One .....	\$ 92.55	\$160.10	\$227.80
Two .....	175.10	310.20	445.60
Three .....	252.65	455.30	658.40
Four .....	320.20	590.40	861.20
Five .....	387.75	725.50	1,064.00

## (I) TWENTY CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.

## Collections per Week

Number of Containers	One	Two	Three
One .....	\$ 98.60	\$172.20	\$246.00
Two .....	187.20	334.40	482.00
Three .....	270.80	491.60	713.00
Four .....	344.40	638.80	934.00
Five .....	418.00	786.00	1,155.00

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**(J) TWENTY-FOUR CUBIC YARD DETACHABLE CONTAINER.  
Collections per Week**

<b>Number of Containers</b>	<b>One</b>	<b>Two</b>	<b>Three</b>
One .....	\$104.65	\$185.35	\$264.20
Two .....	199.30	358.70	518.40
Three .....	288.95	528.05	767.60
Four .....	368.60	687.40	1,006.80
Five .....	448.25	846.75	1,246.00

(Ord. 90379 § 4.1 added by Ord. 96301; Dec. 7, 1967).

**14.06.060 Disposal site charges.** The following rates are established for the use of the city's disposal sites and transfer stations:

Passenger cars without trailers:

Operated by city residents	No charge
All others	\$0.50

Minimum charge for cars with trailers and

all other vehicles	\$1.25 per load
Refuse deposited at disposal sites	\$1.50 per ton
Refuse deposited at transfer stations	\$4.50 per ton

It shall be the duty of the city engineer, or his authorized agent, to issue and sell tickets at disposal sites for the privilege of such disposal; provided, that such disposal charges shall not apply to the disposal of earth or other material suitable for road construction when disposal of the same has been approved by the city engineer or his authorized agent. (Ord. 90379 § 5 as amended by Ord. 94022; Ord. 94711 and Ord. 99122 § 1; July 31, 1970).

**14.06.070 Regulations for disposal sites.** To carry out the provisions of this chapter, the city engineer is authorized to make, modify and enforce regulations for all operations at garbage and rubbish disposal sites, which regulations shall designate what material may be disposed of at particular disposal sites, may establish and provide for the collection of reasonable fees for special services rendered to persons requesting the same at such disposal sites. (Ord. 90379 § 6 as amended by Ord. 94711 § 3; April 14, 1966).

**14.06.080 Exemptions from disposal site charges.** The charge imposed by Section 14.06.060 of this chapter shall not apply to any governmental agency owning in whole or in part the property upon which the disposal site is located. (Ord. 90379 § 7; July 18, 1961).

**14.06.090 Preparation and placement of garbage.** All garbage and rubbish shall be prepared and placed for collection as required by ordinance. Failure to meet such requirement may result in discontinuation of collection service, but not of the charges thereof. (Ord. 90379 § 8; July 18, 1961).

**14.06.100 Payment—Delinquency—Interest—Lien.** Garbage and rubbish collection charges imposed by this chapter shall be payable up to three months in advance at the office of the city treasurer and at the same time that utility charges are due and payable with respect to residences or other dwelling units contemporaneously served, and partial payment on any bill will first be credited to amounts due for garbage and rubbish collection services and the balance to outstanding charges for water services. The charges imposed under Section 14.06.050 shall apply to all residences and other dwelling units, whether occupied or not; provided, however, that where no portion of the premises are being used and occupied as a dwelling place the owner or agent responsible therefor may apply to the city engineer for the suspension or termination of garbage and rubbish collection charges. In such connection the city engineer may from time to time suspend liability for such charges upon request therefor whenever he is satisfied that the premises are not being used and occupied as a dwelling place. Garbage and rubbish collection charges shall be computed and billed from time to time by the city engineer through an interdepartmental arrangement with the superintendent of water as a separate charge on the water bill for residences or dwelling units served, and the city engineer and the superintendent of water shall cooperate, in the interest of economy and efficiency, in establishing common billing practices and procedures to the extent permitted by law.

Garbage and rubbish collection charges shall be against the premises served and when such charges have not been paid within ninety days after billing, they shall be delinquent and constitute a lien against the residence or dwelling units served. Such delinquent charges shall bear interest at the rate of eight percent per year. Notice of the city's lien specifying the amount due, the period covered and giving the legal description of the premises sought to be charged may be filed with the county auditor within the time required and may be foreclosed in the manner and within the time prescribed for liens for labor and material as authorized by RCW 35.21.140. (Ord. 90379 as amended by Ord. 94711 § 4; April 14, 1966).

**14.06.110 Solid waste fund.** The utility created by this chapter shall be known as the "solid waste utility," and the "garbage collection and dis-

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posal fund" in the city treasury is hereby renamed the "solid waste fund." All revenues from the garbage and rubbish collection and disposal charges above set forth and from the use of disposal sites shall be credited to said fund; all expenses for the operation of the collection system, operation and maintenance of the disposal sites, servicing of bonds, costs of operation and maintenance of the disposal system as constructed or added to, and to maintain the solid waste utility in sound financial condition, shall be charged to said fund in the manner and to the extent provided by ordinance, including the cost of billing and collection and all interdepartmental charges for service rendered by other city departments to said utility. (Ord. 90379 § 11 as amended by Ord. 99322 § 1; October 2, 1970).

**14.06.120 Severability.** If any part or portion of this chapter shall be held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof. (Ord. 90379 § 12; July 18, 1961).

### Chapter 14.08 SWILL COLLECTION

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**14.08.010 Handling and disposal of swill.** It is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation conducting any hotel, restaurant or other public eating place, to deposit, throw or place any swill, or other refuse or food matter, in a lane, alley, street or other public place, or to deposit, throw or place any swill upon any private property, regardless of ownership, unless said swill shall be enclosed in vessels or tanks of a type approved by the director of health and which shall be watertight and shall have tightly fitting covers, which covers shall not be removed except when necessary for the depositing or removal of swill. Such vessels or tanks shall be kept in the rear of the premises or in the basement, areaway or passageway so as to be readily accessible for collection, and shall not be kept upon the street, alley, sidewalk or other public place. All such tanks or vessels shall be promptly delivered to the collector when called for and shall be returned by him without unnecessary delay, and no person, except for purpose of collection under license, shall in any manner interfere with said vessels or tanks or with the contents thereof. (Ord. 60085 § 1; October 2, 1930).

**14.08.020 Definitions.** The word "swill" as used in this chapter, shall be held to mean and include every refuse accumulation of animal, fruit or vegetable matter, liquid or otherwise, but attends the preparation, use, cooking, dealing in or storing of meat, fish, fowl, fruit, vegetables, except coffee grounds. It shall be unlawful to place in any vessel or tank devoted to, or used for the keeping or collection of swill, any coffee grounds, ashes, cans, tins, rubbish, soap, lye, glass, soil or other substance except swill. (Ord. 60085 § 2; October 2, 1930).

**14.08.030 Rules and regulations.** The Director of Health shall be, and is hereby, authorized to make such rules and regulations covering the keeping, collection and disposal of swill as may be necessary for the protection of the public health and to amend and change such rules and regulations at any time. (Ord. 60085 § 3; October 2, 1930).

**14.08.040 Contract authorized—Bond.** That Josie Razore, A. M. Morelli and J. S. Banchemo, co-partners doing business as Queen City Farms, hereinafter called the "Company", is hereby authorized to collect, remove and dispose of all swill in the City of Seattle as contemplated by this chapter for a period not exceeding ten (10) years, beginning November 1, 1951, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided for: Provided, said Company shall, during such period, pay to the City, monthly, on or before the 10th day of each month, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in cash; and provided further, that within thirty (30) days after the taking effect of this section, said Company shall file with the City Comptroller a contract substantially in the form of Exhibit "A" hereto attached, and shall before entering upon the work file a bond approved as to form by the Corporation Counsel and as to sufficiency of the surety by the Mayor and City Comptroller, in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), executed by said Company, as principal, and by a surety company authorized to do business as such under the laws of the State of Washington, as surety, and conditioned that the Company will carry out the provisions of this chapter, and will faithfully perform all the provisions of said contract and pay all laborers, mechanics, sub-contractors and materialmen, and all persons who shall supply said Company or sub-contractors with provisions and supplies for the carrying on of the work; provided further, that before entering upon the work the Company shall by policy of indemnity insurance or said surety bond (if maintained in the unimpaired amount of \$10,000.00), approved as to form by the Corporation Counsel and as to insurer or surety by the Mayor and City Comptroller, in the sum of \$10,000.00, indemnify and save the City free and harmless from any and all claims, actions or damages of every kind and description which may accrue to or be suffered by any person by reason of or arising out of the performance of said contract.

Said contract shall also contain a pledge of equipment. (Ord. 80451 § 1; November 7, 1951).

**14.08.050 Execution of contract.** The Mayor and the City Comptroller and ex-officio City Clerk be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed for and on behalf of the City of Seattle to execute the contract provided for in Section 14.08.040 hereof. (Ord. 80451 § 2; November 7, 1951).

**14.08.060 License to collect swill—Requirement—Revocation.** No license to collect swill shall be issued to any applicant therefor, unless such applicant is obligated by a subsisting contract with the City to collect, remove and dispose of swill. Any such license may be revoked by ordinance for any violation of this chapter, or of the rules and regulations made by the Director of Health, pursuant hereto, or for any of the causes mentioned in Title 10, as amended, or any future legislation in respect to licenses for the collection of swill. (Ord. 60085 § 6; October 2, 1930).

**14.08.070 Penalty for violations.** Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter, or who shall violate or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any regulations prescribed, or order made, by the Director of Health, as in this chapter provided, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars, or be imprisoned in the city jail for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days, or may be both fined and imprisoned. (Ord. 60085 § 7; October 2, 1930).

**14.08.080 Severability.** If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this chapter is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or void, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this chapter. (Ord. 60085 § 8; October 2, 1930).

## Chapter 14.10

### REGULATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF GARBAGE AND SWILL

#### Sections:

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## REMOVAL OF GARBAGE AND SWILL 14.10.010—14.10.050

**14.10.010 License to transport waste matter.** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove through the streets, from any meat market, fish store, oyster house, commission house or from any place in the City of Seattle, any waste vegetable matter, dead animal, butcher's offal, fish or parts of fish, shells or refuse or any waste animal matter, unless such person shall have a license to carry on such business under such restrictions and regulations as the City Council may prescribe. (Ord. 15957 § 18; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.020 Vehicles for transporting waste matter—Fertilizer manufacturing.** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove from place to place, any waste vegetable matter, dead animals, butcher's offal, fish or parts of fish or waste animal matter, unless the same shall be removed in water tight, metal lined, covered wagons, constructed purposely for such business, and in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Director of Health of the City of Seattle may, from time to time, adopt; and it shall be unlawful for any person to reduce any such waste matter to fertilizing material unless the same be done in such a manner as will destroy therein all germs of disease, and in such a manner as not to cause annoyance to or endanger the health of persons residing in the neighborhood where such process is carried on. (Ord. 15957 § 19; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.030 Time for collection and removal of swill.** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any swill in any wagon, cart or other conveyance, between the hours of ten (10) o'clock before noon and eight (8) o'clock after noon. (Ord. 15957 § 20; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.040 Waste matter to be placed in proper receptacles.** It shall be unlawful for any person, whether the owner, lessee, occupant or agent of any premises, to keep or permit to be kept in any building, area way or upon any premises, or in any alley, street or public place adjacent to any premises, any waste animal or vegetable matter, dead animals, butcher's offal, fish or parts of fish, ashes, swill or refuse matter from any restaurant, eating place, residence, place of business or other building, unless the same be collected and kept in a tightly covered or closed metal can or vessel, which can or vessel shall have firmly attached to the body thereof a metallic tag or label, bearing the name or names of the owner or owners thereof, and the number of the premises in connection with which such can or vessel is being or is intended to be used. (Ord. 15957 § 21; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.050 Places for depositing garbage.** The Board of Public Works of the City of Seattle shall, from time to time, designate a certain place or places for the deposit of ashes, garbage, swill or other waste matter, and it shall be unlawful for any person hauling, delivering or discharging

ashes, garbage, swill or other waste matter, to deposit the same at any other place or places than such place or places designated by the Board of Public Works. (Ord. 15957 § 22; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.060 Vehicles for removing vegetable and animal waste.** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove, gather, carry or transport any swill or waste animal or vegetable matter, through any of the streets, alleys or public places, in any wagon, cart or other conveyance, other than a conveyance having a tightly closed body, box or receptacle for the swill, made of such material and constructed in such manner, and so tightly closed and covered as to prevent the escape of any odor or the escape or leakage of any such swill or other substance. (Ord. 15957 § 23; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.070 Vehicles for removing garbage and refuse.** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any garbage or refuse matter (except swill) in any other than a closely and securely covered conveyance, or to move or transport any dead animal except in a metal lined wagon bed so constructed that the contents shall not be offensive to sight or smell. (Ord. 15957 § 24, as amended by Ord. 26853; March 30, 1911).

**14.10.080 Contract to remove dead animals.** The Board of Public Works of the City of Seattle shall designate some place, within or without the City of Seattle, to which shall be removed in the manner herein-after specified, all dead animals from the streets, alleys and public places and from private lots and buildings, and the Board of Public Works shall, from time to time, after due notice and calls for bids, enter into a contract, for not more than one year, with such person as shall be the lowest bidder, for the removal of all dead animals found within the limits of the City of Seattle, and such person to whom such contract is let shall, except as otherwise herein provided, remove to the place so designated by the Board of Public Works, all such dead animals, within twenty-four (24) hours after notice thereof. (Ord. 15957 § 26; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.090 Duty to remove dead animals.** The owner of any animal which shall die, shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after the death of such animal, remove the dead body thereof to the place designated by the Board of Public Works, as herein provided, and if such owner shall fail or neglect to so remove and dispose of such dead body within such twenty-four (24) hours, then the person to whom the aforesaid contract shall be let, shall remove such dead body to such place, and the owner of such animal shall pay the person therefore the sum named in the contract made between the Board of Public Works and such person, and if the owner of any such animal shall not be known or cannot be found, the person holding the contract with the Board of Public Works, as herein provided, shall remove the dead body of such animal, within twenty-four (24) hours after the notice thereof by the Board of Public Works, at the expense of the City of Seattle. (Ord. 15957 § 27; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.100 Right of entry for inspection.** The members of the department of health, the director of health and any accredited officer or agent of the department of health are hereby authorized and empowered to, at all reasonable times, enter and inspect all buildings and premises for the purpose of ascertaining whether the provisions of this chapter are being violated; and it shall be unlawful for any person to prevent or attempt to prevent any such entrance or inspection or to obstruct or interfere with any such officer while engaged therein. (Ord. 15957 § 51; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.110 Definitions.** The word "person" wherever used in this chapter, shall be held and construed to mean and include natural persons of either sex, associations, copartnerships and corporations, whether acting by themselves or by a servant, agent or employee; the singular number shall be held and construed to include the plural and the masculine pronoun to include the feminine. (Ord. 15957 § 52; May 10, 1907).

**14.10.120 Penalty for violations.** Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding three hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the city jail not exceeding ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. (Ord. 15957 § 53, as amended by Ord. 45820; October 3, 1923).

## Chapter 14.20

### TRESPASSING ON DUMPS

#### Sections:

14.20.010 Unlawful to trespass on dumps.

14.20.020 Penalty for violations.

**14.20.010 Unlawful to trespass on dumps.** It is unlawful to go upon any garbage, refuse or trash dump, or other operating property owned or maintained by the city of Seattle and under the jurisdiction of the city engineer, except during business hours and with the permission and subject to the direction of the city or its authorized representative, and for the transaction of business thereon with the city or its representatives. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to those going upon garbage, refuse or trash dumps solely for the purpose of lawfully depositing material thereon during business hours, with the permission of the city. (Ord. 85544 § 1; October 10, 1956).

**14.20.020 Penalty for violations.** Any violation of, or failure to comply with, the provisions of this chapter shall subject the offender to a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or to confinement in the city jail not exceeding ninety days, or both such fine and imprisonment. (Ord. 85544 § 2; October 10, 1956).

