RESOLUTION NO. 26-15

RESOLUTION ADOPTING SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND FEES FOR JULY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027

WHEREAS, Worcester County owns and operates facilities for the disposal of solid waste generated in Worcester County, Maryland including the Central Landfill and several household solid waste transfer stations; and

WHEREAS, the Worcester County Commissioners established a Worcester County Landfill Enterprise Fund (which has become known as the "Solid Waste Enterprise Fund") by resolution dated June 4, 1996 to account for the revenues and expenditures associated with the daily operation of the landfill and transfer stations as well as the opening and closure of landfill cells; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County Commissioners that revenues generated by the use of the Central Landfill and the County's household solid waste transfer stations be sufficient to cover all expenses related to the daily operation of the Central Landfill and transfer stations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Commissioners of Worcester County, Maryland do hereby adopt the following Solid Waste budgets and fees for the year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:

1. The Board of County Commissioners do hereby adopt a Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Expense Budget for Fiscal Year 2027 in the amount of $5,519,106 pursuant to FY 2027 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget stamped as approved the 2nd day of June, 2026 and on file with the Worcester County Treasurer's Office which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

2. The Board of County Commissioners do hereby adopt, levy, and impose the following landfill fees for Fiscal Year 2027:
    a. The landfill tipping fee for Refuse shall be $0.80 per 20 pounds as calculated by scales located at the Central Landfill, with a minimum charge of $10.00, and shall be subject to all other provisions for said tipping fees established by Resolution of the County Commissioners dated February 11, 1992 and as amended by resolution dated June 16, 1992.
    b. The landfill tipping fee for Dirt, Grit, Red Ash, Sludge, Stumps, and Yard Waste shall be $0.80 per 20 pounds as calculated by scales located at the Central Landfill, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    c. The landfill tipping fee for passenger cars and truck tires by weight shall be $2.25 per 20 pounds, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    d. The landfill tipping fee for industrial and tractor tires by weight shall be $6.00 per 20 pounds, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    e. The landfill tipping fee for metals shall be $0.25 per 20 pounds, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    f. The landfill tipping fee for Construction Materials, Demolition Materials, and Concrete, which may only be disposed of at the Central Landfill, shall be $0.80 per 20 pounds, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    g. The landfill tipping fee for Asbestos, which may only be disposed of at the Central Landfill, shall be $1.50 per 20 pounds, with a minimum charge of $10.00.
    h. Mulch can be purchased at the Central Landfill for $20.00 per 3 cubic yard bucket.
    i. Passenger car tires may be disposed of at the Central Landfill for the fee of $3.00 per tire and $5.00 per tire on rim. Any tire disposed of on the landfill will be at a charge of $20.00 per tire.
    j. Truck tires may be disposed of at the Central Landfill for the fee of $10.00 per tire. Any tire disposed of on the landfill will be at a charge of $20.00 per tire.
    k. House trailers may be disposed of at the Central Landfill for the fee of $2,500.00 per trailer.

l. Boats may be disposed of at the Central Landfill for the fee of $0.80 per 20 pounds.

m. Propane tanks may be disposed of at the Central Landfill for the fee of $10.00 per tank.

n. The annual license fee for any commercial hauler shall be $25.00 for each vehicle used by said hauler to transport solid waste to the Central Landfill, and shall be subject to all other provisions for said licenses established by Resolution of the County Commissioners dated February 25, 1992.

o. The license fee for any Worcester County local government commercial hauler shall be $15.00 for each vehicle used by said hauler to transport solid waste to the Central Landfill. The license will not expire until the vehicle is sold or disposed. The license fee shall be subject to all other provisions for said licenses established by Resolution of the County Commissioners dated February 25, 1992.

p. Fees for use of the County's homeowner convenience stations shall be either:

(1) An annual permit fee for unlimited use of the County's homeowner convenience stations by a single household shall be $100.00 for the first two vehicles, and $100.00 for the third and additional vehicles, and shall be subject to all other provisions for said permits established by Resolution of the County Commissioners dated June 16, 1992; or

(2) A Pay-As-You-Throw fee of $1.00 for each 33-gallon bag disposed at any homeowner convenience station in Worcester County.

q. To encourage recycling within the incorporated municipalities of Worcester County, a rebate of 1% will be given for each 1% of recycled materials from the municipality, with a maximum rebate of 15%. Rebates will be refunded to the municipalities quarterly.

r. Credit Card fee charged at 3% per transaction to the user.

s. Paint Cans and Petroleum Cans with liquid are not accepted but if received will be charged a fee of $20.00 per can.

3. The Board of County Commissioners do hereby establish late fees and interest rates for delinquent accounts as follows:

Accounts that are delinquent over 30 days from the date of billing shall be assessed a 1% per month interest charge.

4. All other fees or charges not enumerated above shall be at such amounts and rates as are currently in force or as shall be amended by resolution of the County Commissioners at which time such amended amounts and rates shall be effective.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of June, 2026.

Attest:

Weston S. Young
Chief Administrative Officer

Worcester County Commissioners

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Worcester County

Annual Budget by Fund Category Report

Solid Waste

	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
SOLID WASTE - Solid Waste				
Revenue				
LIC/PRMT - Licenses and Permits	$4,500.00	$4,500.00	$0.00	0%
CHG SVC - Charges for Services	$5,019,600.00	$4,820,000.00	$199,600.00	4%
INT/PEN - Interest & Penalties	$477,000.00	$651,500.00	($174,500.00)	-27%
TRNS IN - Transfers In	$18,006.00	($88,400.00)	$106,406.00	-120%
Revenue Totals	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
Expenditures				
PERS SVCS - Personnel Services	$1,915,784.00	$1,790,950.00	$124,834.00	7%
SUPP & MAT - Supplies & Materials	$499,984.00	$501,774.00	($1,790.00)	0%
MAINT & SVCS - Maintenance & Services	$1,288,402.00	$1,263,500.00	$24,902.00	2%
OTHR CHGS - Other Charges	$511,200.00	$490,170.00	$21,030.00	4%
CAP EQ - Capital Equipment	$1,303,736.00	$1,341,206.00	($37,470.00)	-3%
Expenditure Totals	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
Solid Waste Totals	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	+++

Solid Waste			Budget Worksheet Report			
	Account Number	Account Description	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
Fund: 680 - Landfill						
REVENUES						
LIC/PRMT - Licenses and Permits						
	4985	Landfill Permits-Commercial	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	0%
		Account Classification Total: LIC/PRMT - Licenses and Permits	$4,500.00	$4,500.00	$0.00	0%
CHG SVC - Charges for Services						
	4850	Credit Card Fees	5,000.00	10,000.00	(5,000.00)	-50%
	4990	Tipping Fee Revenue	4,957,000.00	4,750,000.00	207,000.00	4%
	5190	Stump/Yard Waste/Mulch Revenue	57,600.00	60,000.00	(2,400.00)	-4%
		Account Classification Total: CHG SVC - Charges for Services	$5,019,600.00	$4,820,000.00	$199,600.00	4%
INT/PEN - Interest & Penalties						
	4700	Interest On Investments	475,000.00	650,000.00	(175,000.00)	-27%
	4710	Penalty/Fees	2,000.00	1,500.00	500.00	33%
		Account Classification Total: INT/PEN - Interest & Penalties	$477,000.00	$651,500.00	($174,500.00)	-27%
TRNS IN - Transfers In						
	5975.100	Transfers From (To) Reserve	18,006.00	(88,400.00)	106,406.00	-120%
		Account Classification Total: TRNS IN - Transfers In	$18,006.00	($88,400.00)	$106,406.00	-120%
		REVENUES Total	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
EXPENSES						
Department: 7001 - Admin						
PERS SVCS - Personnel Services						
	6000.100	Personnel Services Salaries	364,352.00	340,824.00	23,528.00	7%
	6000.400	Personnel Services Overtime Pay	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	N/A
	6010.020	Benefits Contingency	108.00	137.00	(29.00)	-21%
	6010.025	Benefits Deferred Comp Match	2,230.00	0.00	2,230.00	N/A
	6010.030	Benefits Hospitalization Insurance	48,983.00	42,405.00	6,578.00	16%
	6010.050	Benefits Retirement	44,546.00	45,261.00	(715.00)	-2%
	6010.060	Benefits Social Security Taxes	27,567.00	25,589.00	1,978.00	8%
	6010.070	Benefits Unemployment Insurance	139.00	137.00	2.00	1%
	6010.090	Benefits Workmans Compensation Ins	6,049.00	7,224.00	(1,175.00)	-16%

Solid Waste			Budget Worksheet Report			
	Account Number	Account Description	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
	6010.120	Benefits Long Term Disability	824.00	515.00	309.00	60%
	6010.130	Benefits Life Insurance	705.00	584.00	121.00	21%
	6010.140	Benefits FSA & PSA Admin and EAP Program	946.00	632.00	314.00	50%
	6010.150	Benefits Retirement Administration Fee	645.00	659.00	(14.00)	-2%
	6010.900	Benefits OPEB contribution	7,181.00	10,184.00	(3,003.00)	-29%
		Account Classification Total: PERS SVCS - Personnel Services	$505,275.00	$474,151.00	31,124.00	7%
SUPP & MAT - Supplies & Materials						
	6100.010	Administrative Expense Administrative Expenses	7,284.00	7,284.00	0.00	0%
	6100.052	Administrative Expense Bank Fees	5,000.00	10,000.00	(5,000.00)	-50%
	6110.090	Supplies & Equipment Computers & Printers	0.00	4,840.00	(4,840.00)	-100%
	6130.010	Equipment Maintenance Copier Lease	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	0%
	6130.070	Equipment Maintenance Software Maintenance Agreements	2,300.00	1,600.00	700.00	44%
	6150.050	Uniforms & Personal Equipment Uniforms	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0%
		Account Classification Total: SUPP & MAT - Supplies & Materials	$17,284.00	$26,424.00	($9,140.00)	-35%
MAINT & SVCS - Maintenance & Services						
	6530.010	Consulting Services Annual Audit Fees	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00	0%
	6530.100	Consulting Services Professional Fees	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	-100%
	6550.040	Building Site Expenses Cleaning Contract	7,200.00	3,500.00	3,700.00	106%
	6550.050	Building Site Expenses Custodial Supplies	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0%
	6550.180	Building Site Expenses Pest Control/Termite Insp	750.00	1,500.00	(750.00)	-50%
	6550.220	Building Site Expenses Security Alarm Monitoring	1,500.00	2,000.00	(500.00)	-25%
	6550.270	Building Site Expenses Telephone	750.00	2,000.00	(1,250.00)	-63%
		Account Classification Total: MAINT & SVCS - Maintenance & Services	$24,200.00	$25,000.00	($800.00)	-3%
OTHR CHGS - Other Charges						
	7000.020	Travel, Training & Expense Board Member Allowance	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	0%
	7170.100	Benefits & Insurance Property & Liability Insurance	35,000.00	20,000.00	15,000.00	75%
		Account Classification Total: OTHR CHGS - Other Charges	$38,500.00	$23,500.00	$15,000.00	64%
		Department Total: 7001 - Admin	$585,259.00	$549,075.00	$36,184.00	7%

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	Account Number	Account Description	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
Department:	**7002 - Solid Waste**					
PERS SVCS - Personnel Services						
	6000.100	Personnel Services Salaries	923,167.00	843,922.00	79,245.00	9%
	6000.400	Personnel Services Overtime Pay	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0%
	6010.020	Benefits Contingency	274.00	340.00	(66.00)	-19%
	6010.025	Benefits Deferred Comp Match	3,857.00	1,000.00	2,857.00	286%
	6010.030	Benefits Hospitalization Insurance	219,123.00	182,740.00	36,383.00	20%
	6010.050	Benefits Retirement	116,779.00	112,073.00	4,706.00	4%
	6010.060	Benefits Social Security Taxes	70,624.00	66,475.00	4,149.00	6%
	6010.070	Benefits Unemployment Insurance	354.00	340.00	14.00	4%
	6010.090	Benefits Workmans Compensation Ins	15,351.00	17,889.00	(2,538.00)	-14%
	6010.120	Benefits Long Term Disability	2,198.00	1,275.00	923.00	72%
	6010.130	Benefits Life Insurance	1,847.00	1,445.00	402.00	28%
	6010.140	Benefits FSA & PSA Admin and EAP Program	2,402.00	1,564.00	838.00	54%
	6010.150	Benefits Retirement Administration Fee	1,636.00	1,633.00	3.00	0%
	6010.900	Benefits OPEB contribution	27,897.00	61,103.00	(33,206.00)	-54%
		Account Classification Total: PERS SVCS - Personnel Services	$1,410,509.00	$1,316,799.00	$93,710.00	7%
SUPP & MAT - Supplies & Materials						
	6100.010	Administrative Expense Administrative Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0%
	6100.075	Administrative Expense Compliance and Permitting	12,000.00	10,000.00	2,000.00	20%
	6100.100	Administrative Expense Dues, Licenses & Subscriptions	900.00	900.00	0.00	0%
	6100.190	Administrative Expense Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0%
	6110.090	Supplies & Equipment Computers & Printers	2,300.00	0.00	2,300.00	N/A
	6110.245	Supplies & Equipment Mobile Phones	4,500.00	3,450.00	1,050.00	30%
	6110.340	Supplies & Equipment Safety Program Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0%
	6110.420	Supplies & Equipment Tools & Supplies	17,000.00	15,000.00	2,000.00	13%
	6140.060	Road Maintenance Materials Other	130,000.00	130,000.00	0.00	0%
	6150.050	Uniforms & Personal Equipment Uniforms	11,500.00	11,500.00	0.00	0%
	6200.020	Other Supplies & Materials Materials	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00	0%

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	Account Number	Account Description	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
Account Classification Total: SUPP & MAT - Supplies & Materials			$482,700.00	$475,350.00	$7,350.00	2%
MAINT & SVCS - Maintenance & Services						
	6530.040	Consulting Services Consulting Services	350,000.00	300,000.00	50,000.00	17%
	6540.010	Vehicle Operating Expenses Equipment/Vehicle Rental	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0%
	6540.020	Vehicle Operating Expenses Fuel - WC Fleet	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00	0%
	6540.030	Vehicle Operating Expenses Vehicle Maintenance	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0%
	6540.060	Vehicle Operating Expenses Vehicle Equipment	2,502.00	14,100.00	(11,598.00)	-82%
	6540.070	Vehicle Operating Expenses Off-road Fuel	170,000.00	150,000.00	20,000.00	13%
	6540.080	Vehicle Operating Expenses Heavy Equipment Maintenance	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00	0%
	6550.020	Building Site Expenses Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	190,000.00	200,000.00	(10,000.00)	-5%
	6550.060	Building Site Expenses Electricity	22,000.00	22,000.00	0.00	0%
	6550.120	Building Site Expenses Heating Propane	3,800.00	1,500.00	2,300.00	153%
	6550.270	Building Site Expenses Telephone	900.00	900.00	0.00	0%
	6700.610	Other Maint. & Svcs Leachate Treatment	150,000.00	175,000.00	(25,000.00)	-14%
Account Classification Total: MAINT & SVCS - Maintenance & Services			$1,264,202.00	$1,238,500.00	$25,702.00	2%
OTHR CHGS - Other Charges						
	7000.060	Travel, Training & Expense Educational Training	22,900.00	20,250.00	2,650.00	13%
	7200.020	Bond & Interest Expense Bond Interest Expense	106,736.00	121,839.00	(15,103.00)	-12%
	7200.025	Bond & Interest Expense Bond Principal Expense	343,064.00	324,581.00	18,483.00	6%
Account Classification Total: OTHR CHGS - Other Charges			$472,700.00	$466,670.00	$6,030.00	1%
CAP EQ - Capital Equipment						
	9010.070	Capital Equipment Heavy Equipment	153,000.00	150,000.00	3,000.00	2%
	9010.125	Capital Equipment Leases	1,150,736.00	1,191,206.00	(40,470.00)	-3%
Account Classification Total: CAP EQ - Capital Equipment			$1,303,736.00	$1,341,206.00	($37,470.00)	-3%
Department Total: 7002 - Solid Waste			$4,933,847.00	$4,838,525.00	$95,322.00	2%
EXPENSES Total			$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
Fund REVENUE Total: 680 - Landfill			$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%

Solid Waste			Budget Worksheet Report			
	Account Number	Account Description	2027 Proposed Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	$ Variance	% Variance
		Fund EXPENSE Total: 680 - Landfill	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
		Fund Total: 680 - Landfill	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	
		REVENUE GRAND Totals:	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
		EXPENSE GRAND Totals:	$5,519,106.00	$5,387,600.00	$131,506.00	2%
		Grand Totals:	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0%