

July 20, 2015  
(Special Meeting)

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ORDINANCE NO. 149-15

BY: **BRIAN DAY**  
(By Request – Mayor)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SOLID WASTE  
COLLECTION FEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCOUNTS FOR  
THE FOURTH CALENDAR QUARTER OF YEAR 2015 AND  
FOR YEAR 2016, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Parma wishes to maintain the highest level of public services and public safety to City residents and faces continued elimination of the estate tax and prior reduction in the state/local government funds, both due to state legislative action; and

WHEREAS, the collection and disposal of garbage and refuse in the City is a matter which affects the public health, welfare and safety of all City residents; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 967 of the Codified Ordinances of the City provides for the establishment and collection of fees to be charged by the City for residential solid waste collection and disposal and recycling; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that qualifying residential properties with a homestead exemption, as determined by the City of Cleveland Division of Water, should receive a reduced rate for waste collection and disposal and recycling; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Parma, Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. This City, through its Mayor and its Council, hereby determines to proceed with charging a fee for the cost and expense of solid waste collection and disposal and recycling for single-family and two-family residential properties within the City and in accordance with Chapter 967 of the Codified Ordinances of the City. The fee shall be [REDACTED] dollars (\$ [REDACTED]) per month.

Section 2. That the fee, as set forth in Section 1 above, shall be reduced to [REDACTED] dollars (\$ [REDACTED]) per month for those residential properties qualifying for homestead exemption as determined by the City of Cleveland Division of Water as of October 1, 2015.

Section 3. That other qualified residential properties, as defined in Parma Codified Ordinance 967.03(c), shall be billed for the cost of pick-up and tonnage as set forth in the then current contract between the City of Parma and its residential solid waste collection, disposal and recycling services vendor, a copy of which is in the office of the Director of Public Service.

Section 4. The fee set forth in Section 3 above shall be reduced by a proportional amount as the discount given in Section 2 above, for those residential properties qualifying for homestead exemption, as determined by the City of Cleveland Division of Water as of October 1, 2015.

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Section 5. That the amount of said solid waste collection and recycling fee for each dwelling unit shall be billed quarterly by the City of Cleveland Division of Water, for and on behalf of the City, to the owner and/or occupant of the residential property, in accordance with procedures established by the City of Cleveland Division of Water, and shall appear on the quarterly billing statement for water issued by the City of Cleveland Division of Water.

Section 6. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law, including the City’s Codified Ordinance and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 7. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective to enable the City to receive the fee revenues to continue solid waste collection services in the City; provided this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in full force after the earlier period allowed by law.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

FILED WITH  
THE MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO