

A low-angle photograph of several palm trees reaching towards a clear, bright blue sky. The perspective is from the ground looking up, making the trees appear tall and majestic. The fronds of the palm trees are detailed and vibrant green, with some showing signs of aging or damage. The sky is a uniform, clear blue, providing a high-contrast background for the dark trunks and green foliage of the trees.

City of Auburndale

Sanitation & Recycling Rates

September 7, 2023

History of Recycling

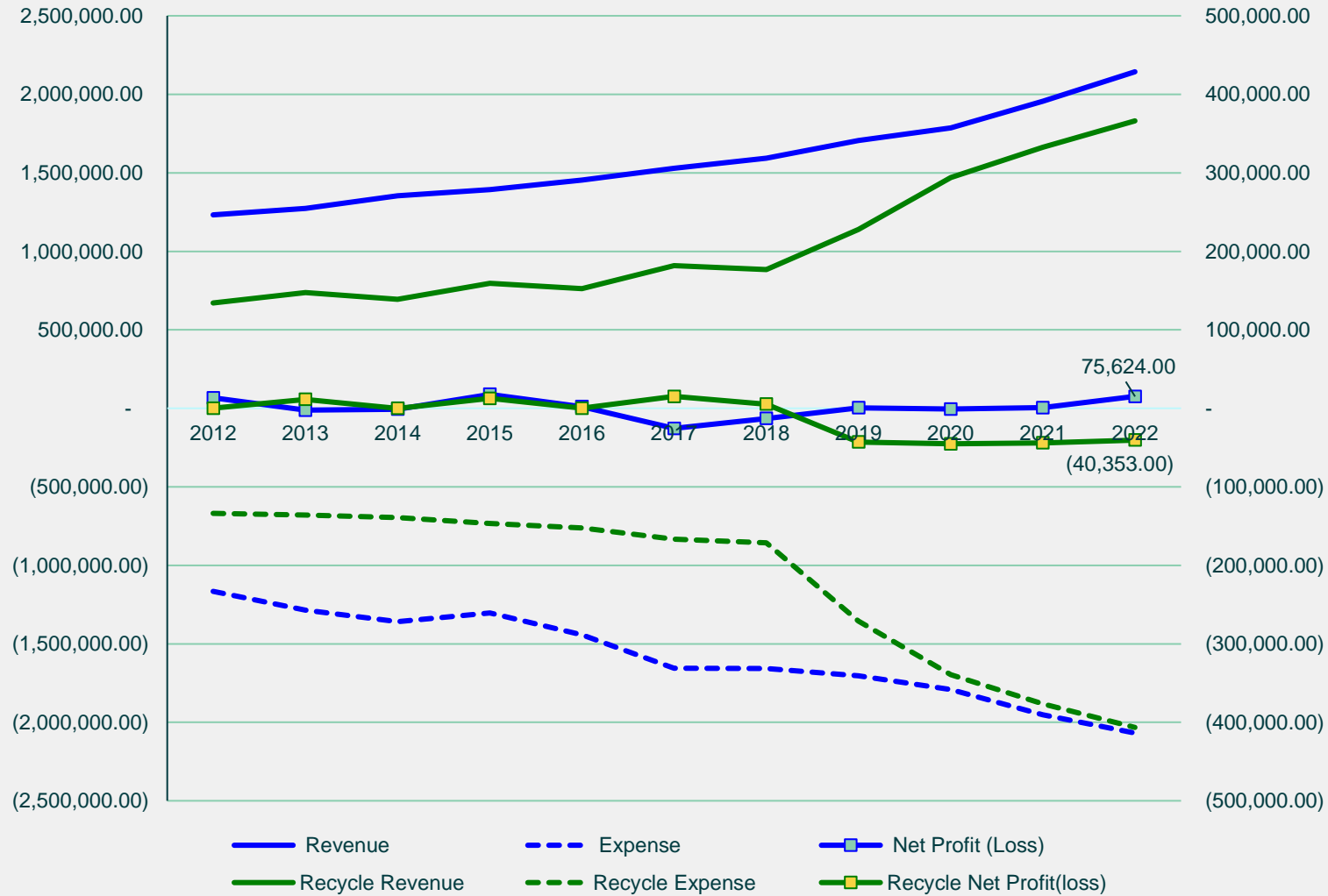


History of Recycling

- July 2010 – Florida Refuse contract @ \$2.28
- October 2014 – Florida Refuse rate change to \$2.37
- October 2016 – Trash Taxi contract @ \$2.53
- April 2017 – Trash Taxi bought by Advanced Disposal
- July 2018 – Public Information Meeting held at Civic Center
- October 2018 – Advanced Disposal rate change to \$3.28
- October 2019 – Advanced Disposal rate change to \$4.03
- October 2020 – Advanced Disposal rate change to \$4.28
- October 2021 – Advanced Disposal rate change to \$4.41
- October 2022 – Advanced Disposal rate change to \$4.55



Sanitation – Revenue & Expense



Project Scope

Consider Waste Management
recycling agreement

Alternative options for recycling
collection



Recycling Notes

- Waste Management proposed a new 1-year recycling collection agreement

Residential Rate	
Recycling – FY23	\$4.55
Recycling – FY24 proposal	\$9.75

Recycling Alternatives

- City to provide curbside recycling collection with hauling to Lakeland MRF
- City to provide a central collection site at Public Works for resident drop-off

Option #1 – Waste Management

Residential - Current

Residential Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$15.65
Recycling	\$4.55
Total	\$20.20

Residential – FY24 Proposed

Residential Rate		% Change
Base Charge		
Garbage	\$15.65	
Recycling	\$9.75	
Total	\$25.40	25.7%

- Recycling is collected curbside by Waste Management
- Recycle waste is delivered to Lakeland MRF
- Tipping fees are included in new rate; increase from \$45,000 to \$165,000

Option #2 – City Curbside Collection

Residential - Current

Residential Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$15.65
Recycling	\$4.55
Total	\$20.20

Residential – FY24 Proposed

Residential Rate		% Change
Base Charge		
Garbage	\$15.65	
Recycling	\$14.44	
Total	\$30.09	48.9%

- Recycling is collected curbside by Public Works staff
- Recycling collection would utilize automated side-load trucks (1 employee per truck)
- Delivered to Lakeland MRF
- Cost Impacts:
 - › 3 additional trucks and staff
 - › Increase operating costs to support 3 routes
 - › Tipping fee costs increase from \$45,000 to \$165,000

Option #3 – Central Collection Site

Residential - Current

Residential Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$15.65
Recycling	\$4.55
Total	\$20.20

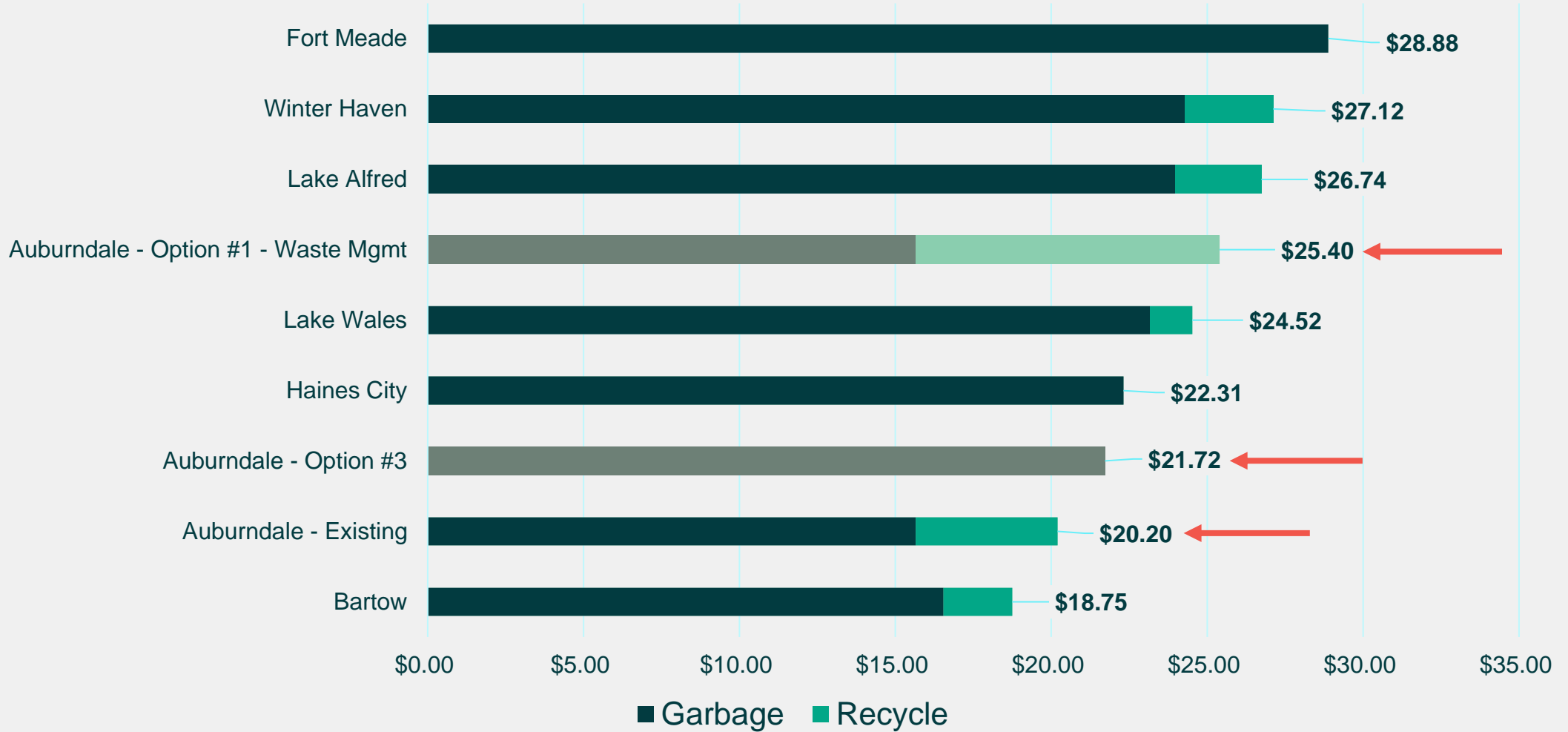
Residential – FY24 Proposed

Residential Rate		% Change
Base Charge		
Garbage	\$21.72	
Recycling	\$0.00	
Total	\$21.72	7.5%

- Recycling is provided at Public Works, 915 Charles Ave.
- Curbside collection will be for household waste
- Household waste delivered to Polk County Landfill
- Cost Impacts:
 - › 1 additional truck and staff
 - › Increase in operating costs to support additional route



Local Comparison - Residential Sanitation



Staff Recommendation



Central Recycling Collection Site

Residential – FY24 Proposed

Residential Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$21.72
Recycling	\$0.00
Total	\$21.72

Commercial – FY24 Proposed

Commercial Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$25.12
Total	\$25.12

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Operational Changes



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- No changes to residential or commercial curbside collection
- Pickup day will remain the same
- All curbside containers will be serviced by City crews
- All curbside collection will be delivered to Polk County landfill
- As current customer's recycle containers come offline, they will not be replaced
- New customers will receive 1 City container and no recycle container
- Customers will continue to have the option to purchase additional containers
- All residents will have access to the City's expanded Recycling Center at 915 Charles Ave



Central Recycling Collection Site

Residential – FY24 Proposed

Residential Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$21.72
Recycling	\$0.00
Total	\$21.72

Commercial – FY24 Proposed

Commercial Rate	
Base Charge	
Garbage	\$25.12
Total	\$25.12

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Community Education



Community Outreach & Education

- Social media outreach through Facebook
- City's website update for Sanitation collection and recycling
- Sanitation updates added on utility bills for September and October
- Automated message to Sanitation customers