

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 9, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution amending
Implementing Order 4-68 to
establish a fee for the new
category of composting haulers;
amending implementing order 4-
42 to establish a fee related to
community composting facilities;
and amending Implementing
Order 4-111 to establish a fee
related to new administrative
approval process for community
composting operations

Resolution No. R-979-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Eileen Higgins and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

- _____ **"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**
- _____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- _____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- _____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- _____ **Budget required**
- _____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**
- _____ **Statement of social equity required**
- _____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**
- _____ **No committee review**
- _____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____) to approve**
- _____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)
10-9-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-979-25

RESOLUTION AMENDING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 4-68 TO ESTABLISH A FEE FOR THE NEW CATEGORY OF COMPOSTING HAULERS; AMENDING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 4-42 TO ESTABLISH A FEE RELATED TO COMMUNITY COMPOSTING FACILITIES; AND AMENDING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 4-111 TO ESTABLISH A FEE RELATED TO NEW ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR COMMUNITY COMPOSTING OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, composting is important to residents and visitors of Miami-Dade County, and this Board is taking various steps to allow and facilitate more composting operations, with the goal of helping Miami-Dade County to address waste in a more sustainable, environmentally sound manner; and

WHEREAS, to that end, an ordinance has been proposed that would, among other things, create a new category of Solid Waste Department hauler permits, specifically for composting haulers, so as to distinguish between composting haulers and other general haulers and to facilitate the charging of lower fees for composting haulers; and

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned proposed ordinance would also create a new zoning administrative approval for certain composting operations, which would be simpler, faster, and at a less expensive zoning fee, than the public hearing approval process that would otherwise be required under the existing zoning code; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the above-mentioned ordinance would also create a new category of operating permits for community composting facilities; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to establish such fees by amending the County Implementing Order 4-68, related to solid waste, Implementing Order 4-42 related to environmental permitting, and Implementing Order 4-111, related to zoning,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recital clauses are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The amendments to Implementing Order 4-68 related to solid waste fees are hereby approved, in substantially the form of the excerpts of said Implementing Order that are attached as Exhibit A.

Section 3. The amendments to Implementing Order 4-111 related to zoning are hereby approved, in substantially the form of the excerpts of said Implementing Order that are attached as Exhibit B.

Section 4. The amendments to Implementing Order 4-42 related to zoning are hereby approved, in substantially the form of the excerpts of said Implementing Order that are attached as Exhibit C.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins. It was offered by

Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	aye		
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	aye		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Sen. René García	aye	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Natalie Milian Orbis	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 9th day of October, 2024. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "ASR", is written over a horizontal line.

Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell

I.O. No.: 4-68
ORDERED: ~~9XX/XX18~~/2025
EFFECTIVE: ~~XX10/XX01~~/2025

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
IMPLEMENTING ORDER

SCHEDULE OF ALL SERVICE LEVELS AND FEES FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
SOLID WASTE SERVICES

AUTHORITY:

The Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter, including among others, Sections 1.01 and 2.02A, and Chapter 15 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

SUPERSEDES:

This Implementing Order (IO) supersedes IO 4-68, ordered September ~~18-21~~, ~~2024~~2025, and effective October 1, 202554.

POLICY:

This Implementing Order provides a schedule of all solid waste service levels and fees.

PROCEDURE:

The administration of this Implementing Order is designated to the Director of the Miami-Dade County Department responsible for Solid Waste Management, who shall be responsible for the collection of fees and the delivery of the required services, pursuant to Chapter 15 relating to powers and duties of Solid Waste Management. Every year, or earlier, if need be, the Director shall review all fees in terms of cost and recommend necessary changes to the County Mayor through this implementing order procedure.

DEFINITIONS:

Contract Disposal – use of the County Waste Management System by any person, governmental entity, corporation or partnership that has entered into an Agreement with the County of ten (10) years or greater in duration for such County Solid Waste Management System use.

Non-Contract Disposal – use of the County Waste Management System by any person, governmental entity, corporation or partnership that has not entered into an Agreement with the County of ten (10) years or greater in duration for such County Solid Waste Management System use.

FEE SCHEDULE:

The fee schedule adopted by this Implementing Order is attached hereto and made a part hereof. This official fee schedule is also filed with and subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners and on file with the Clerk thereof. Fees that are charged by the County shall be the same as those listed in the official fee schedule on file with the Clerk of the County Commission.

This Implementing Order is hereby submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Approved by the County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency _____

Waste Permit Fees

	Permit Fees	Service Description	Fee Collection	Fee
	Waste Permit Fees			
	Small Hauler Permit	Annual Application Renewal	DSWM	\$315.00
	Composting Hauler Permit	Annual Application Renewal	DSWM	\$315.00
	General Hauler Permit	Annual Application/Renewal	DSWM	\$630.00
	General Hauler Vehicle Registration	Annual Vehicle Registration	DSWM	\$74.00
	Landscaper Permit	Annual Business Fee Application/Renewal	DSWM	\$236.00
	Landscaper Vehicle Registration	Annual Vehicle Registration	DSWM	\$84.00
	Tire Generator Permit	Annual Business Permit Application/Renewal	DSWM	\$26.00
	Tire Generator Location	Annual per location fee	DSWM	\$79.00
	Waste Tire Transporter Permit	Annual Business Fee Application/Renewal	DSWM	\$26.00
	Waste Tire Transporter Vehicle Registration	Annual Vehicle Registration	DSWM	\$26.00
	Delinquent Penalty (Late Renewal)	Per month late fee for past due accounts up to 1 year	DSWM	10% 1 st month. plus, additional 5% each month thereafter
	Doing Business Without Permit	Operating Fee for permit accounts delinquent for more than 1 year.	DSWM	\$100 per year

Code Enforcement Processing Recovery Fees

	Court Fees (Authorized by Chapter 8CC, Code of Miami-Dade County)	Description	Fee Collection	Fee
	Court Fees			
	Administrative Hearing Department Cost		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	130.00
	Lien Release Fee		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	\$80.00
	Payoff Letter		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	\$55.00
	Posting of Notices		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	\$25.00
	Lien Cancellation Notices		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	\$25.00
	Photographs, Reports or Other Exhibits		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	Actual Cost
	County Attorney's Fees		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	Actual Cost
	Other Court Filing Fees (each document)		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	Actual Cost
	Continuing Penalties		MDC Finance Department, Credit and Collection Section	Actual Cost

Implementing Order



Implementing Order No.: 04-111

Title: FEE SCHEDULE FOR REGULATORY AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES (PLANNING, ZONING, AND PLATTING SERVICES)

Ordered: ~~06XX/XX26~~/2025

Effective: ~~XX06/XX30~~/2025

AUTHORITY:

Ordinance No. 76-60; the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter including, among others, Sections 1.01 and 2.02A; Sections, 2-113, 2-114.1, 2-114.2, 2-114.3, 2-114.4, 2-116.1, 8-5, 33-285, 33-303.1, 33E-15, 33G-6, 33H-16, 33I-13, 33J-14, 33K-14, and Chapters 16A, 18A and 28 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

SUPERSEDES:

This Implementing Order (IO) supersedes IO 4-111, ordered ~~June 26, 2025~~~~September 19, 2024~~ and effective ~~June 30, 2025~~~~October 1, 2024~~.

POLICY:

A schedule of fees covering the cost of providing planning, zoning, and platting services shall be established and no application, permit, certificate or receipt shall be issued until the appropriate fee is paid. Additionally, no special study shall be prepared until a memorandum of agreement has been entered into or payment made.

PROCEDURE:

The responsibility for this Implementing Order is assigned to the Director of the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, who shall be responsible for the collection of fees and the delivery of required services pursuant to Chapters 8, 16A, 28 and 33 and Section 2-104 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. Each two years or earlier, if need be, the Director shall review all fees in terms of their cost and recommend necessary changes to the County Mayor.

FEE SCHEDULE:

The fee schedule amended by this Implementing Order has been presented and is considered a part hereof. In accordance with Section 2-3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, this amended official Fee Schedule is also filed with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. Fees which are charged by the planning, zoning, and platting services shall be the same as those listed in the Official Fee Schedule on file with the Clerk of the County Commission.

This Implementing Order is hereby submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Approved by the County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency _____

Planning, Zoning, and Platting Services Fee Schedule

P. COMMUNITY COMPOSTING OPERATIONS FEES AND RENEWAL FEES

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Renewal Fee</u>
<u>Community Composting Operations CU and Administrative Approval in the AU District in accordance with 33-279(31)</u>	<u>217.00</u>	<u>183.47</u>

VI. ZONING APPLICATION FEES

The following fees shall be in effect through September 30, 2026. Each October 1 thereafter, the fees shall be increased by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index during the preceding year.

All application fees shall be paid in total, at the time of filing of the application, and no total fee shall be credited or refunded except when adjustment is warranted or deemed necessary due to departmental error. A refund of fifty percent (50%) of an original application fee may be refunded upon the withdrawal of an application when the written request for withdrawal is received within 60 days of the date of application. In no event, however, shall an appellant of a Community Zoning Appeals Board decision be entitled to a refund of the appeal fee.

	<u>Fee</u>
Extension fee for expiring applications (request submitted prior to expiration)	\$168.75
Pre-Application fee (Urban Centers and Development Impact Committee projects)	562.50
Pre-Application fee (all other projects)	281.25

In addition to the zoning fees set forth below, the costs of mailing any required notices shall be assessed as provided in Section I.L. of this Implementing Order.

A. PUBLIC HEARING, ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS AND REFORMATIONS FEES:

Except as otherwise provided in B. through F. below, for every application for a zoning change, or other zoning application, where a public hearing is required to be held and for every application where notices and advertisement are required, there shall be paid for the processing of each and every application, a minimum fee of \$1,238.41 (expedite: \$1,857.62) or \$2,476.83 (expedite: \$3,715.26) if the application is the result of a violation, provided; however, that for every zoning application processed concurrently with an expedited CDMP amendment, the minimum fee shall be \$2,250.91 or \$3,489.33, if the application is the result of a violation. The exact amount of each and every public hearing application fee is established by the addition of the following fees:

	<u>Fee</u>
Zone Change All Zoning Districts	3,302.44
Zone Change to UDB-PAD (Concurrent w/ CDMP)	4,963.66
Zone Change to UDB-PAD (Non-concurrent)	85,466.66
All Use Variances	4,623.41
Non-Use Variance or Administrative Site Development Option (Residential)	825.05

Implementing Order



Implementing Order No.: 4-42

Title: FEE SCHEDULE FOR REGULATORY AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES (ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SERVICES)

Ordered: ~~XX06/XX26~~/2025

Effective: ~~XX06/XX30~~/2025

AUTHORITY:

The Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter including among others Sections 1.01 and 2.02A, Chapter 24 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Chapter 403 of the Florida Statutes, and Chapter 62 of the Florida Administrative Code.

SUPERSEDES:

This Implementing Order (IO) supersedes IO 4-42, ordered ~~June 26, 2025~~~~September 19, 2024~~ and effective ~~October 1, 2024~~~~June 30, 2025~~.

POLICY:

This IO establishes a schedule of fees to cover the cost of processing permits, reviewing plans, and establishes procedures for providing other services.

PROCEDURE:

The Director of the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources shall be responsible for the collection of fees, accounting of revenue and delivery of services delineated in this IO.

FEE SCHEDULE:

The fee schedule adopted by this IO is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

This Implementing Order is hereby submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

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B.	Operating Permits for Tire Storage and Processing Facilities:	
	Storing < 1,500 tires	\$300
	Processing any or storing > 1,500 tires	\$800
C.	Construction and/or Operating Permits for Composting (including Community Composting Facilities), Mulching, Culing, Waste Relocating, Mining or Other Processing, Biohazardous Transfer & Hospital Ash Facilities:	
	0 - 99 tons/day	\$750
	100-499 tons/day	\$2,200
	500 tons/day and greater	\$16.50 x TPD
D.	Operating Permits for Lakefills:	
	< 10 acres	\$5,000
	10-20 acres	\$8,500
E.	Operating Permits for Ferrous Metal Recycling	
	0 - 99 tons/day	\$4,000
	100-499 tons/day	\$7,000
	500 tons/day and greater	\$22 x TPD
F.	Facilities Delegated to RER from the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) which Require a State Operating Permit ¹⁴	
G.	Solid Waste Operating Permit for Engineering Certification	\$650
H.	Solid Waste Operating Permit for more than 2 Requests for additional information (RAIs)	\$200

¹⁴ In accordance with the Specific Operating Agreement (SOA) between RER and FDEP, RER collects a separate State fee from delegated facilities for new permits, permit renewals, and transfers, in addition to the applicable RER annual fees. 20% of the collected State fee is remitted to the State and the remainder is used by RER to cover the reasonable cost of processing, issuing and enforcing applications for delegated State solid waste permits. Facilities pay either the "Combined Fee" or the "Annual Fee", depending on the FDEP Permit year. The State Fee stipulated per Chapter 62-701, FAC, shall apply in the case of a conflict in the fee quoted in this fee schedule.