

April 14, 2026

Delivered via EMAIL

Ernie Hernandez
City Manager
City of Commerce
2535 Commerce Way
Commerce, CA 90040

Re: Annual Rate Adjustment Request for July 1, 2026

Dear Mr. Hernandez,

According to the Agreement between the City of Commerce and Arakelian Enterprises, Inc. (Athens), and pursuant to Section 17 of this agreement, please accept this letter and enclosures as Athens' request to adjust rates effective July 1, 2026.

The enclosures include the rate adjustment calculation and supporting CPI documentation consistent with Section 17 of the agreement. Per the adjustment formula in the Agreement, the total percentage increase to the rates is calculated at 4.73%.

Please handle the administrative processing of this request to make the rates effective July 1, 2026. In addition, upon your review and approval, please send an email or letter by mail indicating your receipt and approval of this rate adjustment request. Upon receipt of your approval, we will update our billing records and billing system to reflect this rate adjustment effective with the July 1, 2026 invoices. Thank you for the opportunity to provide excellent service in the City of Commerce.

Sincerely,

Christian Warner

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SVP of Market Intelligence & Contract Compliance

Enclosures

CITY OF COMMERCE
Rate Adjustment Calculation
July 2026

ASSUMPTIONS

	FINAL
Consumer Price Index Increase	
Garbage & Trash CPI ending February PY	641.938
Garbage & Trash CPI ending February CY	665.893
Change in CPI - Amount	23.955
Consumer Price Index ending February PY	641.938
Change in CPI - Percent	3.73%
Plus One Percent (1%)	1.00%
Total "Trash CPI + 1%" Adjustment - Percent	4.73%

ADJUSTMENT CALCULATION

Current Monthly Total Compensation:	\$ 104,227.05
Total "Trash CPI + 1%" Adjustment - Percent	4.73%
Total "Trash CPI + 1%" Adjustment - Amount	\$ 4,931.68
Adjusted Monthly Total Compensation	\$ 109,158.73
 Adjusted Annual Total Compensation	 \$ 1,309,904.76

Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)
Original Data Value

Series Id: CUUR0000SEHG02,CUUS0000SEHG02
Not Seasonally Adjusted
Series Title: Garbage and trash collection in U.S. city average, all urban
Area: U.S. city average
Item: Garbage and trash collection
Base Period: DECEMBER 1983=100
Years: 2015 to 2026

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2015	427.734	429.248	429.235	429.807	431.234	430.813	431.229	432.967	433.843	434.829	436.428	436.996
2016	437.205	438.296	437.699	437.676	438.317	437.858	438.607	439.358	439.707	440.311	443.343	444.745
2017	446.266	447.699	446.987	447.129	447.272	448.046	448.328	448.717	449.008	452.196	453.820	453.596
2018	453.354	454.915	455.230	458.722	462.887	465.041	465.579	470.457	471.026	472.535	486.650	485.935
2019	475.687	477.474	478.569	479.449	480.865	480.984	482.138	483.987	484.346	486.133	486.485	486.708
2020	491.003	494.429	495.288	494.432	494.946	496.679	498.564	500.882	501.756	503.315	504.970	508.190
2021	512.722	517.270	518.505	518.579	516.440	517.202	521.185	524.408	529.934	530.114	529.053	532.538
2022	533.078	538.313	540.719	542.564	544.546	547.554	548.187	548.706	558.254	561.090	563.816	565.185
2023	570.412	575.697	576.773	580.124	587.431	589.812	596.167	597.347	596.997	597.569	601.631	602.164
2024	606.773	610.551	610.015	611.073	609.538	611.946	614.089	615.880	619.640	621.632	627.127	627.807
2025	629.803	641.938	642.053	643.063	646.507	648.477	652.682	656.067	652.831		655.705	658.242
2026	661.093	665.893										

CY CPI: 665.893
PY CPI: 641.938
Difference: 23.955
Percentage Change: 3.73%
Plus 1%: 1.00%
Annual Rate Adjustment %: 4.73%