CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Community and Economic Development

Interoffice Memorandum

Date: November 9, 2026

To: Rachel Leon, President of City Council

From: Laura Collins, Director of Community and Economic Development

Re: Recycling Fee

The Administration, on behalf of the Recycling Bureau, requests City Council enact the attached ordinance. The proposed ordinance would amend Article 933 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bethlehem by increasing the recycling fee effective January 1, 2027.

Laura Collins
Director of the Department of Community and
Economic Development

BILL NO. _____-2026

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTIES OF LEHIGH AND NORTHAMPTON, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ARTICLE 933 ENTITLED, RECYCLING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM BY INCREASING THE RECYCLING FEE

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AND ENACT THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE:

SECTION 1. Article 933 of the City of Bethlehem Codified Ordinances entitled Recycling, Section 933.10 relating to Fees Schedule is hereby amended to read as follows (underlined text denotes additions, whereas ~~strikeouts~~ denote deletions):

933.10 FEES SCHEDULE

(a) Fees for collection of recyclables as mandated in this Article shall be in accordance with Annex A which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

(b) Failure to pay the fees established by this Article by the due date shall result in the assessment of a penalty of ten (10%) percent of the fee owed by the obligated party.

ANNEX A - Recycling Fees

Single Family Residential Units	~~$90.00yr.~~ $110.00/yr.
Multi-Family Residential Units	~~$70.00/unit/yr.~~ $110.00/unit/yr.
Condominium Associations	~~$70.00/unit/yr.~~ $110.00/unit/yr.

SECTION 2. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be January 1, 2027.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sponsored by: /s/_____

/s/_____

Bill No. ____-2026
Ordinance 2026-____

PASSED finally in Council this _____ day of December, 2026.

/s/_____
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/_____
City Clerk

This Ordinance approved this _____ day of December, 2026.

/s/_____
Mayor