## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-020**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHINO, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT TO THE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Chino ("City") entered into a franchise agreement with USA Waste of California, Inc., dba Waste Management ("Franchisee"), for the provision of integrated waste management services, including the collection and disposal of refuse, recyclables, and organic waste, effective May 16, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the franchise agreement allows for annual adjustments to the service components of the rates based on changes in the Water, Sewer, Trash (WST) Index; and

**WHEREAS**, for the 12-month period from December 2024 through December 2025, the WST Index increased by 4.99%; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the franchise agreement, a 4% adjustment, the maximum allowed under the contract, has been applied to the service components of the rates for commercial/industrial, compactor, residential, and ancillary services, as detailed in the updated rate schedule (Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the disposal components of the integrated waste management rates, specifically landfill tipping fees and green/organic waste processing fees, are based on actual historical tonnage and vendor rates, and are passed through to customers to ensure full cost recovery; the landfill tipping fees are set by Riverside County, and the green/organic waste processing rates are established by the designated processor under contract with the Franchisee; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has complied with the procedural requirements of Proposition 218, including the provision of mailed notice to affected ratepayers and the opportunity for public comment during a duly noticed public hearing held on June 6, 2023, regarding the proposed rate adjustments; and

WHEREAS, the adjusted rates are necessary to ensure full cost recovery for landfill disposal, green waste processing, utility billing, and compliance with State-mandated recycling and diversion programs, thereby maintaining the fiscal sustainability of the City's integrated waste management system.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHINO DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Confirmation of Rate Adjustment. The City Council hereby confirms and approves a 4% increase to the service components of the integrated waste management service rates, effective July 1, 2025, as outlined in the updated rate schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A.

- 2. Franchise Agreement Compliance. The rate adjustment is consistent with the terms of the franchise agreement between the City and the Franchisee, specifically the provision allowing for annual adjustments based on the WST Index, with a 4% cap.
- 3. Proposition 218 Compliance. The City Council finds that all procedural requirements of Proposition 218 have been satisfied, including the provision of notice and an opportunity for public input.
- 4. Effective Date. The fees shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF MAY 2025.

EUNICE ULLOA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

NATALIE GONZAGA, CITY CLERK

State of California)County of San Bernardino) ss.City of Chino)

I, Natalie Gonzaga, City Clerk of the City of Chino, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025, by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

## NATALIE GONZAGA, CITY CLERK

Attachment: Exhibit A – Schedule of Rate Integrated Watse Management Services