# Updated Salinas Municipal Code Chapter 14 Garbage, Recycling, And Organic Waste Reduction



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#### <u>Issue</u>

Approve a resolution approving the necessary updates the City's Municipal Code Section 14 to comply with Senate Bill 1383 and the California Department of Resource Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) mandate

#### Senate Bill 1383 requirements

- Designed to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions
- Divert organic material from landfills
  - Reduce statewide disposal of organic waste 75% by 2025
- Recover edible food for human consumption
- Provide organic waste collection to all residents and businesses
- Procure recycled organic waste products like compost, mulch, and renewable natural gas
- Conducting outreach and education to all affected parties

### Municipal Code update

- State imposed Title 14, Division 7, Chapter 12 of the California Code of Regulations, entitled "Short-Lived Climate Pollutants"
- Regulations developed in response to Senate Bill 1383, often called "SB 1383 Regulations."
- Allow City to meet State-imposed requirements to comply with CalRecycle and SB 1383
- Includes enforcement mechanisms such as fines

### Municipal Code update

- Ordinance updates and amends Article I of Chapter 14 of the Salinas Municipal Code related to garbage, recycling, and organic waste reduction.
  - Implements a mandatory commercial recycling program
  - Mandatory commercial organics recycling program
  - Automatic enrollment of all businesses and residents in recycling
  - Requires certain food generators to have the maximum amount of their edible food, be recovered for human consumption

### Outreach, Education, Monitoring and Enforcement

- Republic Services to provide a solid waste collection service compliant with SB 1383 Regulations
- The City to leverage Republic Services and Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority
  - Coordinate closely on SB 1383 tasks to meet requirements
  - Addressed through the new Franchise Agreement approved September 2021

### State-mandated penalties for violations

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  - Residential penalties set at the minimum range
  - Regulations allow for the City to take an educational and non-punitive approach for the first two years
  - Initial contact to seek voluntary compliance by Republic Services and the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority
  - Violations will then be referred to the City's Code Enforcement Officer for additional warnings and citations

## Consequences to City for Non-Compliance

- More frequent State inspections
- Direct enforcement of non-compliant businesses
- Compliance schedules
- Probationary period
- Need demonstrate sufficient staffing
- Administrative penalties up to \$10,000 per day