

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

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Legislation Title: Compostable Food Waste

Description: For the purpose of amending the Annapolis City Code definition of “Solid Waste” to exclude compostable food waste; to exempt collectors of compostable food waste from having to obtain a solid waste permit and pay the associated fee; and matters generally relating to the collection of compostable food waste.

Analysis of Fiscal Impact: This legislation would amend the City Code to exempt collectors of compostable food waste from having to obtain a solid waste permit and pay the associated fee. Paragraph 10.16.005P of the Code defines solid wastes as “refuse, recyclable, yard waste, and other waste matter, not to include explosives, poisons, corrosives, flammable liquids, hot ashes and coals, medical waste, or other similar hazardous materials and wastes.” Separate collection and use of food waste benefits both the City and the environment by diverting approximately 15-20% of the waste stream from going to a landfill, and creating a beneficial material instead. The annual permit fee is \$210. At this time the net fiscal impact cannot be determined as the number of collectors of compostable food waste is unknown.