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To: Houston City Council **From:** Mayor Sylvester Turner

Office of the Mayor

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Subject: Garbage Fee Proposal

Since November of last year, we have all been dealing with the question of how to pay for Proposition B and still balance the budget for the fiscal year 2020 budget. One proposal that has come up regularly is charging a garbage fee as a way to pay for firefighter raises. While I do not support the proposal, I want to give the entire Council a chance to weigh in on the issue. To that end, I have placed three items recommended by Council Member Dwight Boykins on the Council agenda for March 27th, each with a different fee and listed from highest to lowest. By your vote, you will be able to indicate whether you want me to bring forward a fee item, and if so, at what level.

Sylvester Turner

Mayor