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Report to Mayor and City Council

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Discussion

SUBJECT:

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-029 AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SANITATION OFFICER (CITY COUNCIL)

I. SUMMARY

Pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 40059(a) (I), the City Council of the City of Carson has determined that the public health, safety, and welfare require that an exclusive franchise be awarded to a qualified solid waste enterprise for solid waste handling in residential, commercial, and industrial areas in the City.

On March 15, 2018, the City entered into a franchise agreement with Waste Resources Technologies, Inc. (“WR”) to be the City’s solid waste hauler and operate the required recycling programs in Carson. Recent legislation, such as Assembly Bill 341 (“AB 341”), as implemented by Cal Recycle, place a significant responsibility on counties and cities, even more than other governmental entities, for meeting these requirements, relying on extremely prescriptive requirements and excessive inspection and monitory reporting to mandate that counties and cities impose steep penalties on residents and businesses if they do not comply with the recycling statutes. This approach requires cities to become inspectors of the solid waste and recycling streams in their communities.

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Included in the Annual Inspection Fees of the WR agreement were three positions. Staff is presenting the first of two job specs to Council for approval, to adopt a new job classification for the Sanitation Officer role to address the monitoring and enforce anti-dumping and anti-scavenging regulations.

II. RECOMMENDATION

WAIVE further reading and APPROVE Resolution No. 20-029, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION 77-111, BY ADOPTING NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SANITATION OFFICER.”

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE any other action the Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

The Legislature of the State of California, by enactment of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (" AB 939") declares that a City may determine all aspects of solid waste handling that are of local concern, including, but not limited to, frequency of Collection, means of Collection and transportation, level of services, charges and fees and the nature, location and extent of providing solid waste handling services.

The passage of AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, (“AB 32") required by law a sharp reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Local governments will play a vital role in the implementation of AB 32 by identifying opportunities and best practices to increase waste reduction and recycling, thereby reducing carbon emissions.

In 2011, the State of California enacted AB 341, which provides further procedures for complying with the statute under AB 32 for reducing GHG emissions. AB 939, AB 32, AB 341, AB 1826 and related laws pertaining to the environmental impacts of solid waste, as may be enacted or amended in the future, are collectively referred to herein as the "Refuse Impact Reduction Laws." The City is required to comply with these laws and these positions, as funded through the solid waste franchise, will assist the City in meeting its statutory duty in enforcing waste reduction and recycling.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

These positions are fully funded by the annual inspection fees collected from Waste Resources Technologies, Inc.

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VI. EXHIBITS

1. Resolution 20-029 and job spec (pgs. 3-8)

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