



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: John Stufflebean

SUBJECT: CIWMB HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT

DATE: 08-28-08

Approved

Christine J. Shypp

Date

9-2-08

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

SNI AREA: Five Wounds /
Brookwood Terrace

REASON FOR ADDENDUM

The California Integrated Waste Management Board had announced a grant opportunity in late July 2008 to support the construction of household hazardous waste drop-off facilities. After evaluation, staff determined that this would be a good opportunity for the City to move forward and submit for award consideration. Staff is soliciting Council approval for the City Manager to submit the grant application. The grant application has a due date of September 22, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit one grant application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for an amount up to \$400,000 to support the Environmental Services Department's efforts to construct the Household Hazardous Waste drop-off facility on Las Plumas Avenue.

OUTCOME

The City will apply for funding from the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to support the construction of the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off facility on Las Plumas Avenue. Council approved the construction of this facility on June 26, 2007.

BACKGROUND

The CIWMB, which is one of six agencies within the California Environmental Protection Agency, enforces the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939). The CIWMB is designated to manage and track the State's 92 million tons of waste generated annually. One of the goals of the CIWMB is to promote a "Zero Waste California," in which programs and partnerships are developed to reduce and recycle waste whenever possible, and to promote the

management of all materials to their highest and best use in order to ensure the protection of public health and safety, and the environment.

The CIWMB provides grants to local jurisdictions to help meet the State's waste reduction, reuse and recycling goals. For this grant cycle, the CIWMB is providing upwards of \$400,000 to support the construction of HHW collection facilities. Organizations interested in applying for the grant must submit an application to the CIWMB by September 22, 2008.

The HHW drop-off facility will support State legislation which bans certain materials from entering landfills, and the recently adopted Green Vision goals and Council Resolution to achieve 75% waste diversion by 2013 and Zero Waste by 2022. Since Council approval of this project in June 2007, staff has been moving forward to construct the facility on Las Plumas Avenue by late Spring 2009. This central San José facility will serve as a convenient location for residents to dispose of such wastes properly and legally, especially for an underserved area which historically has had lower participation levels in this program.

ANALYSIS

The City will be requesting grant funding to support the construction activities (hard costs) for the development of the Las Plumas HHW drop-off facility. Such costs would include the construction of the residential check-in areas, transport and installation of the HHW material staging and collection areas, and the necessary grading, paving and runoff treatment areas to ensure compliance with applicable storm water protection regulations.

The grant award decision is expected in November 2008. If awarded, staff will solicit Council approval at that time to allow the City Manager to execute an agreement with the CIWMB. The grant will be administered by ESD's Integrated Waste Management division. The project for which the grant is awarded must be completed prior to Spring 2011. Staff is estimating that this project will be completed by Spring 2009.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

Staff does not anticipate any additional follow-up with Council at this time.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

- Criteria 1:** Requires Council action on the use of public funds equal to \$1 million or greater. **(Required: Website Posting)**
- Criteria 2:** Adoption of a new or revised policy that may have implications for public health, safety, quality of life, or financial/economic vitality of the City. **(Required: E-mail and Website Posting)**

- Criteria 3:** Consideration of proposed changes to service delivery, programs, staffing that may have impacts to community services and have been identified by staff, Council or a Community group that requires special outreach. **(Required: E-mail, Website Posting, Community Meetings, Notice in appropriate newspapers)**

This recommendation does not meet the above criteria requiring additional notification; however, the environmental review process for this project mandated public outreach for comment, which was completed in Fall 2006 and Spring 2007 via the public release of environmental documents and a multitude of community meetings. This item will be posted on the City's Council Agenda Website for the September 16, 2008 Council Meeting.

COORDINATION

This memo has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the City Manager's Budget Office.

FISCAL/POLICY ALIGNMENT

This proposal is aligned with Green Vision Goal 5, *Divert 100 percent of the waste from landfill and convert waste to energy*, and the Zero Waste goals, to establish San José as a national environmental leader.

COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

If the City is awarded any or all of the grant (minimum amount of \$250,000 up to \$400,000), the grant will be used to support the construction of the Las Plumas HHW drop-off facility. No further budgetary action is required at this time.

CEQA

Not a project.


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