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Budget and Finance Committee/Transportation
and Community Development Committee
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: SOLID WASTE RATE INCREASES RELATED TO DIRECT HAUL TO A LANDFILL

SUMMARY

At the June 7, 1989, meeting of the Joint Budget and Finance/Transportation and Community Development Committees, Councilmember Kim Mueller requested projections of future years rate increases incorporating the cost of direct haul. Staff has reviewed the rate projection model and determined that the assumptions used to determine direct haul costs were based on three-year old data and are now outdated. Staff proposes to develop new cost data as part of the economic analysis in the Direct Haul Environmental Impact Report (EIR) as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

BACKGROUND

Many of the assumptions and premises utilized to prepare the last economic projections of the cost of direct haul have dramatically changed. The City has now changed 90% of its residential collection to a one-person crew; consequently, there would be no second employee being paid simply to ride to a distant landfill. City staff has purchased vehicles with a larger legal payload for both residential waste collection and garden refuse collection. City staff now monitors garden refuse vehicle loads more closely to ensure that these loads are legal. Most of all, there have been volatile changes in the cost of oil and oil-based products (gas, tires, etc.); hence, staff will reevaluate and update the direct haul cost projections during the Direct Haul EIR process.

FINANCIAL

There is no financial impact directly associated this report.

POLICY CONSIDERATION

None.

MBE/WBE

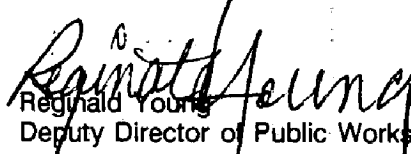
Not applicable.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Joint Committees approve that staff report back on this subject when the EIR for direct haul is presented.

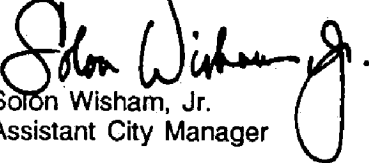
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