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February 19, 1991

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

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: CANCEL YA46 AND PURCHASE COMPOST SCREEN

SUMMARY

This report requests the cancellation of the Stationary Bin Cleaning Facility Capital Improvement Project (YA46), and requests authorization to purchase a compost screen which is currently being rented by the Solid Waste Division of the Department of Public Works.

BACKGROUND

The City of Sacramento Solid Waste Division has determined that the Stationary Bin Cleaning Facility Capital Improvement Project is no longer necessary and can be canceled. This project, as it was originally conceived, was to be an addition to the 28th Street facility's collection truck washrack. The addition would allow the bin maintenance crew to steam clean commercial bins at the washrack. It was later determined that due to the distance from the truck washrack to the bin storage area, and the amount of collection truck traffic at the washrack, it was not economically feasible or safe to wash commercial bins at the washrack.

The Solid Waste Division bin maintenance crew stores and cleans and repaints commercial bins at the 28th Street Landfill's equipment maintenance yard. The bin maintenance crew shares the facility with the Landfill operations personnel.

Each year the Solid Waste Division's compost program has increased the amount of yard and garden refuse diverted from the landfill and the amount of compost produced for sale. As the amount of yard and garden refuse diverted from the landfill has increased, the need for a screen to process the finished product has also increased.

It is expected that a compost screen would need to be rented in the Fall of 1991 for a five month period in order to process the yard and garden refuse which is currently being shredded. At the current rental rate of \$4,500 per month, the cost of renting the screen this Fall would be \$22,500 versus the cost to purchase the screen at this time of \$15,442.50. Should the City no longer need the compost screen sometime in the future, it is anticipated that most of the purchase price could be recovered upon resale of the equipment.

AB 939 mandates will require communities across the State of California to implement composting programs. The implementation of numerous centralized composting facilities will guarantee a market for used equipment such as this.

The current rental agreement for the compost screen includes an option to purchase the equipment after the rental period. The purchase price of the screen is very reasonable considering the age and condition of the equipment and the option to purchase the equipment should be exercised.

FINANCIAL DATA

The funds contained in the Capital Improvement Project YA46 are adequate to purchase the compost screen. Project YA46 currently has a balance of approximately \$16,000. It is proposed that this Project be canceled and the funds transferred to the Solid Waste Division's equipment line item.

Summary of the fiscal impacts:

CANCEL CURRENTLY APPROVED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT YA46, AND TRANSFER FUNDS TO SOLID WASTE FUND CONTINGENCY RESERVE (415-710-7012-4999)	\$16,000.00
AUGMENT THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM (415-310-3147-4630)	\$15,442.50

POLICY MATTERS

Continued support of the Solid Waste Division's compost program will allow an increased quantity of yard and garden refuse to be diverted from the landfill. Compost sales to City residents have been very popular and last year the demand for finished compost exceeded the amount of compost available for sale.

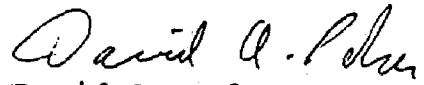
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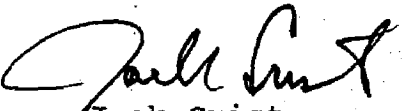
RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Joint committees recommend to the full Council adoption of the attached proposed resolution which will amend the Capital Improvement Program Budget to cancel an existing Capital Improvement Project, transfer the funds to the Solid Waste Fund Contingency Reserve, and augment the Solid Waste Division's equipment line item for the purchase of the compost screen.

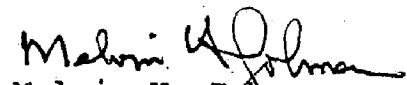
Respectfully submitted,


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449-2043

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET,
AUGMENTING THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION'S EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM,
AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A COMPOST SCREEN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

1. The Capital Improvement Program Budget is hereby amended by canceling project YA46, "Stationary Bin Cleaning Facility" (415-500-YA46-5001), and transferring the entire balance which is estimated to be \$16,000 into the Solid Waste Fund Contingency Reserve (415-710-7012-4999)
2. The Solid Waste Division's Operating Budget is hereby amended by transferring \$15,442.50 from the Solid Waste Fund Contingency Reserve to the Solid Waste Division's Equipment line item (415-310-3147-4630).
3. Authorization is hereby given to purchase a used compost screen, (Read Screen-All Model RD-40) in the amount of \$15,442.50.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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RESOLUTION NO.: _____

DATE ADOPTED: _____