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# SOLID WASTE



## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Solid Waste Management Plan  
Resource Recovery

Solid Waste Transfer  
Waste Disposal

March 12, 1980

Sacramento City Council  
915 "I" Street  
Sacramento, Ca. 95814

Dear Councilpersons:

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) of the City and County of Sacramento has voted to recommend that your Council adopt an ordinance to discontinue service at sunken garbage cans by City employees.

The Sacramento City Waste Disposal Division currently empties sunken refuse cans at about 1300 dwellings according to Director of Waste Removal Reginald Young. These sunken cans are difficult to service because they must be pulled from below ground level, a task that is sometimes made more difficult because the can receptacles become filled with water.

A study conducted by Sacramento County shows the relationship between servicing of sunken cans and injuries to the backs of refuse workers who must service sunken cans ("Sacramento County Sunken Garbage Can Study", prepared by the Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Management Division for the Board of Supervisors, Sept. 11, 1979). Comments by some City Staff members indicate that the rate of injury is also high among City refuse employees.

The SWAC believes that servicing of sunken cans presents an unnecessary risk to the health of City refuse collectors. Because of this risk, SWAC recommends that your Council vote to discontinue immediately the servicing of all sunken garbage cans in the City.

By the City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
*refer to Bud/Fin Comm*  
MAY 13 1980

Sincerely yours,  
*Carl J. Hauge*  
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Acting Chairperson



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### MEMORANDUM

TO: BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

FROM: LORRAINE MAGANA, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: REFERRAL OF ITEM NO. 18, AGENDA OF MAY 13, 1980

DATE: MAY 14, 1980

Pursuant to Council action, the following subject matter is referred to your committee for hearing, report and recommendation: Solid Waste Advisory Committee re proposed Ordinance to discontinue service at sunken garbage cans by City employees.

cc: City Manager  
Connelly  
Hoerber  
Pope  
Thompson