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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County to provide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Services to Pierce County Residents – September 29, 2015
DATE: September 11, 2015

SUMMARY:

A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce County, in the amount of \$875,000, budgeted from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, to provide household hazardous waste collection services to Pierce County residents, for an initial five-year term, with the option to renew for one additional two-year term, for a projected total of \$1,225,000; and providing for the 100 percent reimbursement by Pierce County, deposited into the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, beginning January 1, 2016.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

This agreement allows the City of Tacoma's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility to provide services to collect household hazardous waste from Pierce County residents, consolidating programs to create savings for both parties in the form of lower disposal rates, and operational efficiencies and to provide services for collection of wastes to protect the environment from inappropriate disposal of household hazardous wastes.

BACKGROUND:

Since August 1994, Pierce County and the City of Tacoma have successfully utilized Tacoma's HHW Facility for Pierce County residents. The County reimburses the City for the costs of services rendered to County participants. This model is currently in accord with the Solid Waste Management Plan for Pierce County, which will be due for revision by 2020. The proposed five-year agreement will allow these services to continue through the term of the current Solid Waste Management Plan, with one two-year extension to allow time if the new Solid Waste Management Plan is not completed on schedule. The agreement would provide estimated revenues of \$175,000 per year. The added volume of customers served at the HHW Facility is handled with existing staff, so the additional customers and HHW collected increases the operational efficiency of the HHW program. Reimbursements from Pierce County cover the added costs and help defray the costs of the City's overall program. At the end of this agreement, the mechanism for providing services for collection of HHW from Pierce County residents can be reviewed in light of the new Solid Waste Management Plan.

ISSUE:

There is a need to provide cost-effective services for collection of HHW to Pierce County residents and maintain operational efficiency at the City of Tacoma HHW Facility.



ALTERNATIVES:

Pierce County could provide services to their residents separate from the City's HHW Facility at the Recovery and Transfer Center. This would result in higher costs to all, due to loss of operational efficiencies and potential increase in disposal rates. It would be difficult to operate the HHW Facility for the amount of hours the facility is currently open if the added volume from Pierce County is removed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the execution of an agreement with Pierce County, in the amount of \$875,000, budgeted from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, to provide household hazardous waste collection services to Pierce County residents, for an initial five year term, with the option to renew for one additional two year term, for a projected total of \$1,225,000; and providing for the 100 percent reimbursement by Pierce County, deposited into the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, beginning January 1, 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	514520	Various	\$1,225,000
TOTAL			\$1,225,000

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	512000	4343730	\$1,225,000
TOTAL			\$1,225,000

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$175,000 in revenue and expenditures during 2016.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes.