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City Council, City Clerk, and Gary Kato, Solid Waste Management

SUBJECT: Resolution to Amend the Department of Ecology Coordinated Prevention Grant G1400363 - October 13, 2015

DATE:

**September 25, 2015** 

## **SUMMARY:**

A resolution authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 3 to the Washington State Department of Ecology Grant Agreement, in the amount of \$131,101.00; accepting and depositing said sum into the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200; and authorizing the expenditure of \$43,700.33 in City matching funds from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, for a total of \$174,801.33, and a cumulative total of \$1,046,633.33, to promote waste prevention and recycling activities.

## STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

The Recovery and Transfer Center greatly enhances the region's recycling resources by offering drop off for electronics and anything else with a cord; packing Styrofoam; packing puffs; bubble pack; scrap metal; printer cartridges; motor oil; rechargeable batteries; fluorescent bulbs and tubes and items for Goodwill.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The City has applied for and received Department of Ecology Coordinated Prevention Grant funds since the early 1990's. Every two years funds are made available to local solid waste planning agencies to promote waste prevention and recycling activities.

The City of Tacoma, in partnership with the Pierce County Department of Sustainable Resources and the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, applied for the grant funding. On December 3, 2013, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 38787 which authorized the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$653,874; and authorized the expenditure of \$217,958 in City matching funds, for a cumulative total of \$871,832.

Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 were internal Department of Ecology budget adjustments and did not require City of Tacoma signature.

The proposed Amendment No. 3 will increase the grant, in the amount of \$174,801.33, for a cumulative total to \$1,046,633.33, to promote waste prevention and recycling activities for the 2013-2015 GPG grant cycle.

#### ISSUE:

The City of Tacoma's Recycling Center was recognized by the Department of Ecology as eligible for additional funding if any were to become available from unspent funds in other jurisdictions. At the end of the grant period, there were funds available, and that is what is reflected in this amendment.



#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative to accepting this grant would be to not accept it and potentially miss opportunities to fund projects and activities already budgeted and planned.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Environmental Services Department recommends authorizing the execution of an amendment to a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$131,101.00; accepting and depositing said sum into the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200; and authorizing the expenditure of \$43,700.33 in City matching funds from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, for a net total of \$174,801.33.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

#### **EXPENDITURES:**

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	514340	Various	\$174,801.33
TOTAL			\$174,801.33

<sup>\*</sup> General Fund: Include Department

#### REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Department of Ecology Grant	512000	6232300	\$131,101
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	512000	Various	\$43,700.33
TOTAL			\$174,801.33

#### FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: None

## ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? NO

# IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED.

The City's Recycling Center operation costs have already been budgeted. Therefore the expenditure of \$43,700.33 in grant matching funds, even though it was unplanned, results in a \$131,101 net gain in revenue for the City's Recycling Center.