



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Appropriate Funds from the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Resource Recycling Systems, Inc. for Consulting Support on Solid Waste Issues (\$97,530.00) (8 Votes Required)

City Council approval is requested to appropriate \$97,530.00 in funds from fund balance of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and for a professional services contract with Resource Recycling Systems, Inc. (RRSI) for consulting assistance for three major Solid Waste initiatives:

- Commercial Refuse Franchise: It is proposed that RRSI provide support for completion of ordinance and regulation changes, Rate Committee support, hauler licensing, franchise exemption procedures, Field Operations transition support, and franchise contract management. City Council approved a waste franchise agreement with Waste Management on March 2, 2009.
- Commercial Recycling: It is proposed that RRSI provide transition support for recycling dumpster mobilization and technical support for evaluation and procurement of dumpster routing software.
- Single Stream Recycling: Staff is evaluating whether it would make technical and economic sense to move from the current two stream (paper and container) recycling system to a single stream system. It is ideal to conduct this evaluation now, before full implementation of the commercial recycling program. RRSI will conduct an evaluation of collection and processing costs and benefits and provide a recommendation within eight weeks of start of this project. If City Council makes a decision to proceed with the single stream program, RRSI will then provide additional assistance with implementation.

With the initial recommendations from the Commercial Recycling committee completed, it is crucial that implementation steps for this program be completed on schedule. RRSI has been providing consulting support for over two years during these initial steps, and are intimately familiar with all the details of the program. For this reason, staff is recommending sole-sourcing this contract to RRSI. Their consulting support will be critical to the success of the program, particularly with the recent reassignment of staff duties due to the retirement of the Solid Waste Coordinator.

Consulting support for these projects will cost \$97,530.00. We are requesting that these funds be available across fiscal years (past June 30, 2009) to allow successful completion of the projects.

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Approved by: Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

Whereas, City Council approved the Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations developed by the Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee on January 5, 2009;

Whereas, Resource Recycling Systems, Inc. worked effectively with the Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee in providing the necessary background work, guidance, and preparation

for this report;

Whereas, The Solid Waste Rate Committee will now need assistance in developing franchise rates to be brought before Council;

Whereas, Staff will need assistance in a variety of tasks implementing the Commercial Refuse Franchise and the Commercial Recycling programs;

Whereas, A comprehensive analysis of the single stream recycling opportunity should be completed before full implementation of the mandatory commercial recycling program; and

Whereas, Funding for this consulting support work is available in the Fund Balance of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund;

RESOLVED, That \$97,530.00 be appropriated from the Fund Balance of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund to provide Solid Waste consulting services;

RESOLVED, That City Council approves a Professional Services Agreement with Resource Recycling Systems, Inc. (RRSI) in an amount not to exceed \$97,530.00 for this consulting support;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute said agreement after approvals as to form by the City Attorney and approval as to substance by the City Administrator;

RESOLVED, That funds be made available for the life of this project without regard to fiscal year; and

RESOLVED, That City Council authorizes the City Administrator to take any necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.