



DEPARTMENT OF
GENERAL SERVICES

SOLID WASTE
DIVISION

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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY FUNDS FOR OLD ELVAS ROAD QUARRY LANDFILL MITIGATION AND SETTLEMENT COSTS

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Council District 3, Neighborhood Areas 1, 3

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the receipt of Sacramento Regional County Solid Waste Authority (SWA) funds to be used to finance the mitigation of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill and associated legal settlement costs.

CONTACT PERSONS: G. Harold Duffey, Integrated Waste General Manager, 808-4932
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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: February 8, 2005

SUMMARY: The Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill is located on land that both Phoebe Hearst Elementary School and St. Francis High School occupy. On April 2, 2004, the City of Sacramento entered into an agreement with the Roman Catholic Bishop (the Bishop) of Sacramento, owner of the St. Francis High School, to reimburse all costs paid to date by the Bishop, and to assume all future cleanup costs of the landfill. On January 20, 2005, the Sacramento City Unified School District, owner of the Phoebe Hearst Elementary School, agreed to a settlement agreement with the City to reimburse the school district all costs related to the landfill (\$217,000 expended to date) and for the City to pay all future costs to clean up the landfill. A capital improvement project (CIP) was established to address the cleanup costs for landfills on the property occupied by St. Francis High School, but did not include the Phoebe Hearst Elementary School site, which is part of the same landfill.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION: None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On April 2, 2004, the City of Sacramento entered into an agreement with the Bishop to reimburse them for the engineering costs paid to address the mitigation of the abandoned green waste landfill found on the St. Francis High School property. The agreement also included all future engineering costs to extract the methane gas generated by the buried green waste. At the time of the agreement, the St. Francis Capital Improvement Project (PN: YA08) was established to pay the above costs.

On May 18, 2004, the City Council approved Resolution 2004-365 authorizing the City to apply for a grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) for the purposes of cleaning up the Old Elvas Avenue Gravel Quarry. The grant was approved in the amount of \$750,000 by the CIWMB. These funds will be used to pay for the cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill located on property occupied by both Phoebe Hearst Elementary School and St. Francis High School. In addition, the SWA Board approved \$544,880 to be allocated to pay for the cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill in their 2004/2005 budgets.

On January 20, 2005, the City of Sacramento entered into an agreement with the Sacramento City Unified School District to reimburse them \$217,000 in engineering costs paid to date, and to pay all future expenses for engineering services to remove methane gas generated by buried green waste found on the property occupied by Phoebe Hearst Elementary School, located directly across the street from St. Francis High School.

The current CIP only addresses the engineering and cleanup costs associated with the property occupied by St. Francis High School. The green waste located on property occupied by the Phoebe Hearst Elementary School is part of the same landfill, commonly referred to as the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Funding for the cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill is being financed by a \$750,000 grant from the CIWMB and \$544,880 from the SWA budget. The receipt of the funds from the CIWMB was authorized by the City Council when it approved Resolution 2004-365. However, the City Council has not authorized the receipt of the funding from the SWA. This funding is necessary to complete the engineering, design and construction of the capital improvements needed to remove the methane gas generated by the green waste. The attached resolution requests the City Council to authorize the Solid Waste Division to receive the funding from the SWA, and appropriate the funds into CIP YA08.

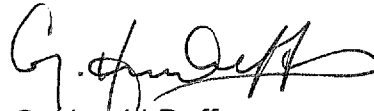
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The actions requested herein support the City's Strategic Plan goal to enhance and preserve the neighborhoods.

ESBD CONSIDERATIONS: None

Respectfully submitted,



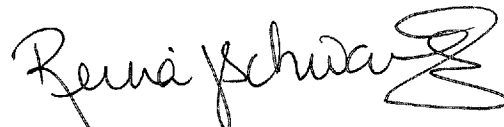
G. Harold Duffey
Integrated Waste General Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

Approved:



Reina J. Schwartz
Director, Department of General Services

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RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY (SWA) FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TOWARD OLD ELVAS ROAD QUARRY LANDFILL MITIGATION AND SETTLEMENT COSTS

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Regional County Solid Waste Authority approved \$544,880 to be allocated to the cost of the cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill;

WHEREAS, the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill includes land occupied by both Phoebe Hearst Elementary School and St. Francis High School;

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento entered into an agreement on April 2, 2004 with the Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento to pay for the cleanup costs to remove the methane gas generated by the green waste landfill on the portion of the property occupied by St. Francis High School;

WHEREAS, the St. Francis Landfill Capital Improvement Program was established to finance the cost the of the settlement agreement between the Bishop and the City;

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2005, the City of Sacramento approved an agreement with the Sacramento City Unified School District for reimbursement of \$217,000 in engineering costs and for the City to assume all future engineering costs associated with the removal of methane gas generated by green waste found in the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill;

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution 2004-365, authorizing a grant application in the amount of \$750,000 to the California Integrated Waste Management Board to finance the cost of the cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill;

WHEREAS, the green waste landfill on portions of property occupied by both Phoebe Hearst Elementary School and St. Francis High School is commonly referred to as the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill.

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SACRAMENTO THAT:**

- The Solid Waste Division is authorized to receive the funds from the Sacramento Regional County Solid Waste Authority designated to pay for engineering costs and cleanup of the Old Elvas Road Quarry Landfill.
- The FY2004/05 Capital Improvement budget is amended to establish a revenue and expenditure budget in the amount of \$544,880 for the Old Elvas Quarry project (248-500-YA08).

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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