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CITY OF SACRAMENTO

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

SOLID WASTE DIVISION

JOHN F. BOSS
Solid Waste Division Manager

October 28, 1986

Budget and Finance Committee
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: PROPOSED ADDITION OF ONE LIMITED-TERM LANDFILL
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITION FOR THE SOLID WASTE
DIVISION

SUMMARY

This report requests that a .65 FTE limited-term Equipment Operator position be approved to provide support for the landfill closure for the remainder of the 1986-1987 fiscal year.

BACKGROUND

Currently the City Landfill has assigned one Sr. Landfill Equipment Operator and three Landfill Equipment Operators. These operators compact the refuse, apply daily cover dirt, transfer dirt, construct dumping aprons and pads, construct and maintain internal access roads, spray water for dust control, and perform other landfill operations.

In June of this year, the Solid Waste Division presented a closure plan for the Landfill, which the City Council adopted. A major effort of this closure plan is the spreading and compacting of a final cover layer including a one-foot thick clay liner. Beginning this month about 400,000 cubic yards of excavated dirt from the Miller Boat Harbor Expansion Project will begin to be delivered to the landfill. By April 1987 about 20-25 acres of the landfill will reach final grade, and will require placement of a final cover. These activities are in addition to the employees' daily operational duties.

Also, because of the long-term City service of the current landfill operators, a total of 3.5 months of the year are used by them for vacation purpose which leaves the landfill operation shorthanded. The approved Solid Waste Division Budget does not contain adequate vacation relief personnel.

Therefore, in order to meet all operating standards set by California Waste Management Board and the Sacramento County

Local Enforcement Agency, to meet closure standards included in the adopted Closure Plan, and to cover scheduled vacations, additional landfill equipment operator labor is necessary. The additional labor requirement for FY 86-87 amounts to eight months of staff time. This can be most effectively achieved through hiring a limited-term Landfill Equipment Operator.

FINANCIAL

The 1986-87 Capital Improvement Budget includes funds for the purchase of the cover material and installation of the first phase of the final cover layer. The 1986-87 Solid Waste Division Operating Budget also includes limited contract funds for equipment and operators.

The cost to add one limited-term (0.65 FTE) equipment operator position for the period November 8, 1986 to June 30, 1987 is \$28,000.00. This amount is currently available in the 1986-87 Solid Waste Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the request for the additional limited-term landfill equipment operator and forward this report to the full City Council with a recommendation for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

for Reginald Young
John F. Boss
Solid Waste Division Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

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Jack R. Crist
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Director of Public Works

October 28, 1986
All Districts

RESOLUTION No.

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

RESOLUTION ADDING ONE LIMITED-TERM POSITION
TO THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, additional labor support is needed to adequately meet State Minimum Operating Standards and to complete the landfill closure;

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the Solid Waste Division Fund;

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

That one Limited-term Equipment Operator position (0.65 FTE) be added to the Solid Waste Division (Organization #3147) within the Public Works Department, effective from November 8, 1986 to June 30, 1987.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk