

DATE: April 22, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager
SUBJECT: Authorize the Town Manager to Execute Agreements with the County of Santa Clara for:

a. Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program; and

b. AB939 Implementation Fee Collection and Distribution

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Town Manager to execute agreements with the County of Santa Clara for:

- a. Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program; and
- b. AB939 Implementation Fee Collection and Distribution.

BACKGROUND:

The Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program provides household hazardous waste disposal services to Town residents. The funding for this program is provided partially through landfill disposal fees (the AB939 part of this agenda item) and partially through an augmentation fee that the Town pays to cover the service used by Los Gatos residents. The Town receives designated revenue from its solid waste hauler, West Valley Collection and Recycling, to fully cover the cost of the augmentation fee. The HHW Program tracks resident activity and provides reports to Town staff to ensure adequate funding is available. The revenue and expenditures for this program are included in the Parks and Public Works Operating budget.

AB 939 allows for the establishment of fees to further recycling goals. The Agency Agreement for Countywide AB939 Implementation Fee outlines the terms and conditions under which the

PREPARED BY: Daniel Keller Facilities & Environmental Services Manager

Reviewed by: Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Town Attorney, Finance Director, and Director of Parks and Public Works

PAGE **2** OF **2**

- SUBJECT: Authorize the Town Manager to execute agreements with the County of Santa Clara for:
 - a. Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program and
 - b. AB939 Implementation Fee Collection and Distribution.
- DATE: April 22, 2021

BACKGROUND (cont'd):

County collects and distributes the \$4.10 per ton fee assessed on waste disposal at each disposal facility within the County. These fees are used to fund HHW programs, as well as implementation of the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan. Participating agencies must approve the agreement before the fees can be collected.

DISCUSSION:

Funds from these programs flow through the Town on a cost recovery basis. The agreement in Attachment 1 establishes the County program as the program for Los Gatos residents. The agreement in Attachment 2 establishes the County as the fee collection and distribution agency for landfill charges. These fees are passed along to the Town to pay for the program.

The current agreements for these two programs expire on June 30, 2021. These new agreements will be effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

CONCLUSION:

Approval of this agenda item will allow for the continuation of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$51,117 is included in the Proposed FY 2021/22 Operating Budget for the Town's augmentation. The FY 2021/22 estimated augmentation is \$66,018. If the actual augmentation, typically determined in the fall, is higher than \$51,117, staff will request a budget adjustment during the FY 2021/22 Mid-Year Budget Report.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.

Attachments:

- 1. Agreement for Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program
- 2. Agreement for Countywide AB939 Implementation Fee