Monterey Regional Waste Management District

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January 16, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting

HIGHLIGHTS

Public Hearing for Adoption of Negative Declaration for Proposed Landfill Gas Flare

Project. A Public Hearing was conducted in order for the Board to consider adoption of a Negative Declaration to allow installation of a new permanent ground flare which would destroy excess landfill gas and provide improved stability and performance of the landfill gas collection system. Two comment letters were received, one a letter of support from the County of Monterey Health Department, the second from the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) requesting minor additional information. Following no public comments at the meeting, the Board adopted the Negative Declaration. The new permanent ground flare and associated equipment is scheduled to arrive on site in February and will be operational in April.

LAFCO Municipal Services Review. The Board received the Public Review Draft of the District's Municipal Services Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI) Study prepared by Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) staff in cooperation with District staff and legal counsel. LAFCO Executive Director, Kate McKenna described the process for conducting the District's MSR, which included review of the District's purpose, services and boundaries. According to the MSR, the District is in excellent financial and operational condition, and considered to be a model District for other Special Districts. The MSR recommends retaining the District's current Sphere of Influence, established in 1982, as it is still applicable. The MSR will be presented for approval at the February 23rd meeting of the LAFCO Commissioners, following a public review and comment period.

Proposed Bond Structure and Terms. A Preliminary Term Sheet for the proposed Bond sale was provided to the Board by District Consultant, John Greenlee, of Caldwell Flores Winters. The Bonds will be used to pay for the capital outlay for the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Improvement Project, the Truck Parking and Maintenance Facility, and the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Fueling Station. It is anticipated that the Board will consider approving the final bond document package at the March Board meeting, and that issuance of the Bonds would occur in mid April 2015.



Strategic Plan. Assistant General Manager provided the Board with a presentation of the Strategic Plan adopted by the Board in March 2014, along with the Pillars of Sustainability. The Strategic Plan is aimed at promoting an improved employee safety culture, improving efficiencies and increasing productivity, controlling costs and enhancing revenues, continued compliance with laws and regulations, increasing and tracking customer satisfaction, and making continued improvements at the District to best utilize resources. District staff provided the draft Action Plan to the Board and unveiled the new Pillars of Sustainability on the back wall of the District's Boardroom. The Board commended staff for their

initiative, forward thinking, and proactive approach in creating the Strategic Plan and developing the Action Plan.

Board Reappointments. Director Downey (City of Monterey) and Director Bales (City of Pacific Grove) were reappointed by their respective agencies for another four year term to the District Board. Director Parker (County of Monterey) is scheduled to be re-appointed to another four-year term at the January 20, 2015 meeting of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.