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The Finance Committee met on October 5, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at the District administrative offices and via Zoom virtual conference. Committee members in attendance were Directors Laska, Albert and Shirley. Staff members in attendance were Felipe Melchor, Guy Petrabor, Helen Rodriguez, Zoe Shoats, Jay Ramos, Garth Gregson, and Ida Gonzales. Legal counsel Rob Wellington was also in attendance.

1. Approve September 7, 2022 Finance Committee Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes of the September 7, 2022 Finance Committee meeting.

2. Discuss Draft White Paper Document for ReGen Monterey

Staff presented a draft White Paper regarding the state of municipal solid waste management in Monterey County. There was discussion by Staff and the Committee members. There were recommendations from the Committee regarding the content and layout of the information in the White Paper. Staff will work with the preparer of the White Paper to incorporate the recommendations of the Committee and will present an updated version of at the next Board meeting.

3. Discuss Selection of GHD Consulting for Micro Grid Feasibility Study

Staff presented information about the selection of a firm to prepare the first phase of the feasibility study of the microgrid project. Staff is recommending GHD Consulting be selected to prepare the study. The estimated cost to prepare the study is \$720K and it will take 8 to 10 months to complete. There is \$500K budgeted in Fiscal 2023 for the preparation of the study. There was discussion and the Committee recommends the Board approve the request to execute the contract with GHD Consulting.

4. Discuss Compost CASP Project Cover Grant Award

Staff presented information about Covered Aerated Static Pile (CASP) project grant that has been awarded to the District. The amount of the grant is \$3 million and will be used to pay the design costs and the purchase of equipment. The grant would cover about 50% of the total project cost. This project will be completed in cooperation with the Keith Day Company who operates the composting activities at the District. This item was presented for information and no action is necessary.

5. Discuss AWP Line Project Scope of Work Amendment

Staff presented information about the Advanced Water Purification Facility (AWPF) that is operated by M1W. Staff is proposing the design and scope of work be modified and the impact would be that the District would be the primary source of energy for the facility instead of PG&E. This item was presented for discussion and no action is necessary.

6. Discuss Potential Additions to ReGen Monterey Website Content Including Video/Audio Recordings and Board Policies

Staff presented information about potential additions to the District website to include video and audio recordings of public meetings and various District policies. The number of views of the recordings would be monitored to determine how long the recordings would be available for viewing. There was discussion with the Committee and the This item will be placed on the agenda of the October Board meeting.

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7. General Manager Communications

- a) The GM recently attended the SWANA Gold Chapter meeting
- b) The District will be holding a wellness fair on October 6 to provide employees an opportunity to receive flu and Covid vaccinations.
- c) The District recently had a third party take photographs of the site using drones. The District will investigate the use of drones for site photography since they are more cost effective than the current photography methods.

Next Meeting Date: November 2 at 9:00 a.m.