

NOTICE & AGENDA



Finance Committee Meeting
February 1, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

In-Person: Bales Board Room
Virtually: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84332661002>

Meeting ID: 843 3266 1002

Please see meeting information notice at the end of this agenda for more details.

Call to Order

Roll Call & Establishment of Quorum

Committee Chair: Leo Laska, Pebble Beach Community Services District
Directors: Kim Shirley, City of Del Rey Oaks
Bill Peake, City of Pacific Grove

Public Communications

Anyone wishing to address the Board on matters not appearing on the agenda may do so now. Please limit comments to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The public may comment on any other matter listed on the agenda at the time the matter is being considered by the Board. For information about submitting public comments in writing in advance of the meeting, please see the Meeting Information section of this agenda.

Discussion/Action

1. Election of Committee Chair for 2023

2. Approve January 4, 2022 Finance Committee Minutes

Recommendation: Approve January 4, 2023 Finance Committee Minutes

3. Update on Budget Planning

Recommendation: Provide Direction to Staff

4. Extension of Litter Abatement MOU with County of Monterey

Recommendation: Provide Direction to Staff

5. Update of Joint Feasibility Study for Organic Waste Processing, Microgrid, and Renewable Energy

Recommendation: Information Only

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6. Potential for Co-Digestion Joint Project with Monterey One Water (M1W)

Recommendation: Provide Direction to Staff

7. General Manager Communications

8. Discuss Future Agenda Items

Closed Session

As permitted by Government Code Section 54956 et seq., the Board may adjourn to a closed session to consider specific matters dealing with litigation, certain personnel matters, real property negotiations or to confer with the ReGen Monterey's Meyers-Milias-Brown Act representative.

1. Conference with Property Negotiators
Property: Landfill Site Space/Capacity
District Negotiators: Felipe Melchor, Guy Petraborg, Jay Ramos, Helen Rodriguez, Garth Gregson and Zoe Shoats
Terms Being Negotiated: Price and Terms of Payment
Negotiating Party: Zanker Road Resource Management Ltd. (Zanker Recycling)

Return to Open Session

Please note: A report out and announcement concerning the closed session will be provided. Anyone requesting a report out of closed session items may contact the board clerk.

Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: March 1, 2023

MEETING INFORMATION

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day prior to the scheduled meeting. All submitted comments will be provided to the Board and may be read into the record or compiled as part of the record.

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MINUTES



The Finance Committee met on January 4, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at the District administrative offices and via Zoom virtual conference. Committee members in attendance were Directors Laska, Shirley. Staff members in attendance were Felipe Melchor, Guy Petraborg, Helen Rodriguez, Zoe Shoats, Jay Ramos, Garth Gregson, Berta Torres, David Ramirez, Randy Evanger and Ida Gonzales. Legal counsel Rob Wellington and Mayo Ryan of Sitos Group were also in attendance.

1. Approve November 2, 2022 Finance Committee Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes of the November 2, 2022 Finance Committee meeting.

2. Discuss Landfill Equipment Guidance System

Staff presented information on a landfill equipment guidance system. The system will provide information about the landfill staff about site elevations, compaction rates and equipment locations on the landfill. This will result in improved waste fill build quality and reduced rework on the landfill. Staff has been in contact with vendors and has obtained pricing and implementation information. The price the system including implementation and training is less than \$400,000. The F2023 budget includes \$500,000 for the purchase of this system. There was discussion and the Committee recommended this item be presented to the Board at the January meeting for approval.

3. Discuss Sitos Group's Biochar Technology Pilot Study

Staff presented information about a proposed pilot project to repurpose wood and green waste material and biosolids into a stable carbon called biochar. This product can be sequestered in soil or construction materials. Mayo Ryan, the CEO of Sitos Group was present at the meeting and he provided additional about the pilot project. Sitos proposes to set up pyrolysis equipment on District property that would use food and green waste material the District receives to convert to biochar material. The pilot study would operate for one year from about June 2023 to June 2024 after which time the results would be evaluated to determine if it was practical to permanently install pyrolysis equipment on District property. Sitos Group will supply, install and maintain all the equipment at the District. There was discussion and the Committee recommended this item be presented to the Board at the January meeting for approval.

4. Declaration of Surplus Equipment

Staff presented information about three pieces of mobile equipment that are considered surplus. The original cost of the equipment was \$444,800 and they were acquired between 1999 and 2006. The equipment has no value in the District financial records. Staff expects that two of the items (loader and bull dozer) have some market value and the third item (truck) should be scrapped. There was discussion and the Committee recommended this item be presented to the Board at the January meeting for approval.

5. Update of Joint Feasibility Study for Organic Waste Processing, Microgrid, and Renewable Energy

Staff presented an update on the status of the joint feasibility study with Monterey One Water (M1W). GHD has been selected to complete the feasibility study. The study is being co-

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managed by the MRWMD Director of Engineering and the Assistant General Manager of M1W. This item was presented for information and updates will be given at future meetings.

6. General Manager Communications

The General Manager gave information on the following items:

1. The District Social Committee raised \$3,500 during the Holiday season that was donated to the Salvation Army
2. Customer feedback from the early site closure on December 3. Overall customer feedback was positive.
3. The District passed its inspection by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Board.
4. The District received recognition from the Special Districts Risk Management Association for having five years of no paid business and liability insurance claims.

The Committee went into Closed Session at 10:20 a.m.

Next Meeting Date: February 1, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

MEMO



Staff Reports Item #: 4

Meeting Date: February 1, 2023

To: Finance Committee
From: Director of Communications, Zoë Shoats
Approved by: General Manager, Felipe Melchor

Subject: Amendment of MOU with County of Monterey for Litter Abatement Program

Recommendation

That the Finance Committee consider recommending approval an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding dated October 8, 2020 between the Monterey Regional Waste Management District DBA ReGen Monterey and the County of Monterey for litter abatement in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 per year for two additional years.

Background

The County of Monterey manages a Litter Abatement Program (“Program”) developed to collect waste and mitigate illegal dumping throughout the County. In past years, ReGen Monterey has made a financial contribution to this program because it has been viewed as beneficial to all the residents and businesses within ReGen’s jurisdiction and especially beneficial to ReGen’s immediate neighbors. ReGen Monterey appropriated funds for the Program equal to \$45,000, \$100,000, and \$25,000, respectively for the fiscal years 2019, 2020, and 2021-2023. A total of \$12,372.25 and \$25,000 was spent in FY 21 and FY 22 respectively.

Discussion

In June 2021, ReGen Monterey executed an amendment to the original Memorandum of Understanding for FY 22 and FY 23. That MOU amendment expires June 30, 2023 if not amended or renewed again. The amendment presented proposes to extend the arrangement for two additional years for FY 24 and FY 25 at a funding level not to exceed \$25,000 each fiscal year. The amendment maintains clarification that actual funding is based on reimbursement of 50% of spending on Program activities conducted within ReGen Monterey’s jurisdictional boundaries. No modifications are proposed beyond the extension.

Financial Impact

Costs associated with this agreement will not exceed \$25,000 for each of the next two fiscal years. Upon approval, the costs for the upcoming fiscal year will be incorporated in ReGen’s annual budget.

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