

SUBJECT: CONSULTING SERVICES FOR FULL SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT

SOURCE: PUBLIC WORKS - FIELD SERVICES DIVISION

COMMENT: At the October 16, 2012, council meeting, City Council approved amending the City's Nondisposal Facility Element to include the expansion of the City's transfer station to accommodate up to 150 tons per day of solid waste streams. The City obtained a Registration permit for the facility issued by the County Local Enforcement Agency (LEA), with the assistance of the consulting firm of Edgar and Associates. At the December 4, 2012, council meeting, Council approved amending the contract with Pena's Disposal Service to transfer the expanded solid waste streams and to begin the planning process to obtain a Full Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP).

A Full SWFP will be needed to move past the 150 ton per day limit of the Registration level permit. The Full SWFP process requires environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The LEA will review and obtain approval concurrence from the State (Calrecycle) before the Full SWFP may be issued. This process could take up to a year.

Staff has worked closely with Edgar and Associates on the current transfer station permitting to date. Staff finds them uniquely qualified to provide consulting services and assist the City in expanding the transfer operation to accommodate all the waste streams collected by the City of Porterville. Edgar and Associates has provided a proposal to accomplish the more extensive Full SWFP process for an amount not to exceed \$22,500.

Funding for this project is from the Solid Waste Fund and was approved in the 2012/2013 Annual Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

1. Authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Edgar and Associates to provide consulting services to allow the City to obtain a Full SWFP; and
2. Authorize payment of a fee not to exceed \$22,500.

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