



CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
300 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950

AGENDA REPORT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL
FROM: City Manager James J. Colangelo
MEETING DATE: June 4, 2008
SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MAY 16, 2008 MONTEREY
REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD
MEETING

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the highlights of the May 16, 2008 Monterey Regional Waste Management District Board Meeting

DISCUSSION:

Attached are the highlights of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District organization for the month of May 2008. The City is a member of the Joint Powers Agency and designates a member of the Board. The representative for the City is former City Manager Gary Bales.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Meeting Highlights

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

James J. Colangelo

Digitally signed: I have reviewed this document

James J. Colangelo
CITY MANAGER



MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Home of the Last Chance Mercantile

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 20, 2008
TO: Pacific Grove City Council
FROM: Gary Bales
SUBJECT: Highlights of the May 16, 2008 Board Meeting

The highlights of the meeting are as follows:

- 1) The Board presented a 10-year service award to Mayor Sue McCloud who represents the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Mayor McCloud also serves as the Vice Chair on the District and Authority Boards.
- 2) The Board scheduled a public hearing for June 20, 2008 to consider a cost of living adjustment to the landfill tipping fee, effective January 1, 2009; and to consider adoption of a fee schedule for copying of public records and board meeting packets.
- 3) The Board received a report from the ad hoc Finance Committee resulting from their April 23rd meeting. Discussion was primarily centered around the 2008/09 Preliminary Budget, which would include a cost of living adjustment to the landfill tipping fee; funds to comply with State air emission mandates of the Californian Air Resources Board (CARB) and AB 32; along with measures to further reduce costs.
- 4) The Board adopted the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2008/09, which will result in unrestricted cash decreasing by \$400,500 at the end of the budget year. The Preliminary Budget includes \$18,195,000 in revenues, operating expenses of \$16,639,000 and non-operating expenses of \$40,000 resulting in net income of \$1,516,000. Capital project expenditures total \$2,504,500 and principal payments on bond and debt obligations are \$1,874,000. Unrestricted cash at fiscal year-end will be \$889,803 above the Board's guideline of 25% of operating expenses. The Revenues to Bond Debt Service ratio is projected to be 2.85 - well above the required minimum of 1.25. The budget includes no new staff positions and calls for a continued hiring freeze on positions as they become vacant, continued reductions across the board in expenses, and continued delays in capital spending.

For FY 2007/08, the District continues to experience a reduction in tonnage of 11% over a year ago, resulting in a projected decrease in unrestricted cash of \$357,000.



- 5) The Board reviewed LAFCO's proposed budget and work plan for fiscal year 2008/2009. The Board directed General Manager to write a letter expressing concerns raised by some Board members regarding the cost of living adjustment of 4% (too high), use of staff time versus hiring consultants, and further improvements to the fee schedule in order to provide additional revenue.
- 6) The Board reviewed the AB 939 Recycling Rates for the first quarter of 2008 (attached).

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact General Manager William Merry at 384-5313, or me.



Gary Bales, Director
Monterey Regional Waste Management District

Attachment

AB 939 Recycling Rates

as of May 7, 2008

<u>Cities</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007*</u>	<u>1Q 2008**</u>
Carmel-by-the-Sea	26%	52%	56%	51%	52%	57%	56%	62%	65%	66%
Del Rey Oaks	31%	48%	55%	55%	60%	63%	64%	71%	62%	66%
Marina ***	43%	65%	63%	60%	55%	64%	47%	55%	63%	64%
Monterey	23%	65%	66%	64%	64%	67%	65%	68%	67%	67%
Pacific Grove	26%	52%	55%	54%	56%	61%	61%	63%	65%	64%
Sand City	7%	48%	51%	48%	47%	59%	58%	53%	60%	61%
Seaside ***	38%	56%	58%	47%	48%	59%	57%	58%	61%	61%
Pebble Beach ****	N/A	59%	58%	59%	60%	56%	58%	63%	62%	63%

* 2007 rates may change when the final 2007 Adjustment Factors become available in the 4th Qtr of 2008, and when waste taken to landfills other than the District is reported to CIWMB.

** 1st Qtr 2008 represents tonnage from 1st Qtr 2008 and 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Qtrs 2007 with 2006 adjustment factors.

*** Marina and Seaside 2002-6 rates reflect the deconstruction of portions of Ft. Ord within Marina and Seaside boundaries.

**** Pebble Beach tonnage was not tracked separately until 1996. 2000 through 2008 rates use a current year disposal to current year generation method.