

RESOLUTION 2025-###

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO (1) EXPRESSING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED POST-COLLECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WEST CONTRA COSTA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (RECYCLEMORE); AND (2) PROVIDING ITS FORMAL RECOMMENDATION THAT THE CITY'S APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO THE RECYCLEMORE BOARD APPROVE THE POST-COLLECTION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of San Pablo is a member of the West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority ("Authority"), also known as RecycleMore, a joint powers agency that oversees post-collection processing and disposal of solid waste for member agencies including San Pablo, Richmond, El Cerrito, Pinole, Hercules, and parts of unincorporated Contra Costa County;

WHEREAS, the Authority's current Post-Collection Agreement ("PCA") with Republic Services, Inc. for the processing and disposal of solid waste, recycling, and organics expired on June 30, 2025, and has been temporarily extended through December 31, 2025;

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2023, pursuant to Resolution 2023-079, the San Pablo City Council advised its RecycleMore Board representative to support a collaborative, competitive procurement process for the next PCA;

WHEREAS, in October 2024, the Authority issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for post-collection services, and one proposal was received from the incumbent provider, Republic Services - West County Resource Recycling (Republic Services);

WHEREAS, beginning in March 2025, the Authority and Republic Services entered into negotiations for a new long-term PCA, with negotiations concluding in September 2025, resulting in a draft agreement proposed for approval by member agencies and the RecycleMore Board;

WHEREAS, the proposed new PCA would commence on January 1, 2026, and extend through June 30, 2040, with two optional five-year extensions, aligning with existing franchise agreements for collection services executed by member agencies, including the City of San Pablo;

WHEREAS, the new PCA establishes a blended per-ton rate structure and incorporates material-specific processing, HHW program funding, mandated governmental fees, and the Authority's operational budget, while simplifying cost components and eliminating outdated rebate and compliance mechanisms;

WHEREAS, the full list of rates for the proposed Post-Collection Agreement are set forth in the agreement;

WHEREAS, the new PCA also enhances services and support for compliance with SB 1383, including compost procurement, improved data sharing, and community education initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, as lead agency, is in the process of completing a CEQA review of the project and determined it is likely Categorically Exempt in accordance with Section 15301, Existing Facilities, and Section 15308, Actions by a Regulatory Agency for the Protection of the Environment. Authority staff will complete additional analysis, as necessary, and file the appropriate CEQA documents, if any, pending approval of the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Pablo hereby expresses its support for the proposed Post-Collection Agreement between the West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority and Republic Services - West County Resource Recycling, as described in the staff report dated October 22, 2025;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Pablo formally recommends that the City's appointed representative(s) to the RecycleMore Board vote in favor of approving the Post-Collection Agreement at the next duly noticed meeting of the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing recitations are true and correct and are included herein by reference as findings.

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ADOPTED this 3rd day of November, 2025, by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Dorothy Gantt, City Clerk

Arturo Cruz, Mayor