



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2004

ITEM NUMBER: _____

SUBJECT: BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR USED OIL RECYCLING GRANT

DATE: NOVEMBER 23, 2004

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT – ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: WILLIAM J. MORRIS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Budget Adjustment #05-036 in the amount of \$26,929 for the California Integrated Waste Management Tenth Cycle Used Oil Recycling Block Grant.

BACKGROUND:

As part of the City's Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE), a certified program for the recovery of used oil has been implemented. Since March 1994, the City of Costa Mesa has been successful in obtaining over \$360,000 in State grant funds to develop a used-oil recycling program. The City has utilized these grant funds to establish, maintain, and assist 17 certified used oil collection centers throughout the City and to provide a used-oil residential collection program. These funds have also been used to develop a public education and awareness campaign highlighted by the following accomplishments:

- Promotional events and used oil container, trading cards, and shop rag give-aways at the annual Neighbors for Neighbors Event, Orange County Fair, and the Public Safety Exposition.
- City and Costa Mesa Sanitary District Household Hazardous Waste Residential Collection Program.
- PennySaver advertisements for the promotion of the residential collection program.
- Public Education through the high school football programs, recycling newsletter insert in the Daily Pilot and financial participation in the Children's Water Education Festival.
- Procurement and distribution of used oil filter crushers to a few area service stations and the City's Corporation Yard.

- Purchase and application of markers at every City storm drain inlet with the message “No Dumping, Drains to the Ocean”.

ANALYSIS:

The intent of the used-oil recycling program is to minimize the amount of waste oil entering storm drains, landfills, and publicly owned treatment facilities. Improper disposal of used oil has been identified as a major source of water pollution in the Southern California area.

The City of Costa Mesa was successful in obtaining a used-oil recycling grant from the State of California. The Tenth Cycle Block Grant is a non-competitive grant for the term of September 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. The grant allocation is distributed on a per-capita basis.

The City intends to utilize these funds for the enhancement of the existing collection system within the City as well as the continuation of the used oil, residential pick-up program in partnership with the Costa Mesa Sanitary District. Currently, the City’s 17 certified collection centers recycle approximately 1600 gallons of used oil per month and the residential pick-up program is collecting approximately 600 gallons per month. A portion of the grant funds would be used to provide continual training and assistance to these collection centers.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

City Council could choose to not approve the budget adjustment for the used oil recycling grant funds, which would result in the discontinuation of the City’s used oil collection program. This alternative may result in the City’s inability to qualify for the “good faith” effort towards the recycling requirements of AB 939.

FISCAL REVIEW:

The attached budget adjustment (Attachment 1) will recognize the grant revenue and appropriate funds for the continuation of the used oil residential pick-up program, and the promotion and advertising of the City’s used oil and oil filter recycling programs.

LEGAL REVIEW:

A legal review is not required.

CONCLUSION:

The City of Costa Mesa’s used oil recycling program has significantly reduced the likelihood of improper disposal of used oil, thus reducing the toxicity of the City’s waste stream and further protecting the local environment. To continue these efforts, it is recommended City Council approve the attached budget adjustment for an amount of \$26,929 to provide ongoing used oil collection services to the residents of the City of Costa Mesa.

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ATTACHMENTS: 1 [Budget Adjustment 05-036](#)

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