



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent  
**April 6, 2010**

**Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council**

**Title: Establish a Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee**

**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution** appointing a four member Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee to provide policy guidance to City staff in negotiating the final terms of the in-region disposal agreements with Sacramento County and BLT Enterprises of Sacramento, LLC (BLT).

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**Presenters:** Edison Hicks, Integrated Waste General Manager, 808-4949

**Department:** Utilities

**Division:** Solid Waste

**Organization No:** 14001711

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** Per City Council direction, for the last 18 months, City staff has made much progress in negotiating with Sacramento County and BLT on agreements that will bring solid waste generated in the City back into the region for disposal at Kiefer Landfill. City staff is in the final stages of negotiating these agreements.

Pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Council Rules of Procedure, staff requests the creation of a Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee to provide policy direction to staff to complete the negotiations. This Ad Hoc Committee will meet as needed to assist staff in negotiating final terms of the in-region disposal agreements. By the end of this fiscal year, staff will return to City Council with the in-region disposal agreements for full Council consideration.

**Policy Considerations:** The creation of the Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee will provide policy direction to conclude the in-region disposal agreements that will be

brought forward for full Council consideration by the end of the fiscal year.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** This action does not constitute a "project" as defined in section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**Sustainability Considerations:** Not Applicable

**Commission/Committee Action:** Not Applicable

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The proposed agreements with Sacramento County and BLT for in-region solid waste disposal at Kiefer Landfill has significant environmental impacts that will reduce fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions by 85% per year compared to the current disposal agreement that takes City waste to Lockwood, Nevada.

The Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee will provide policy direction to staff necessary to bring these agreements to City Council for consideration by the end of FY2009/10.

**Financial Considerations:** The establishment of a Council committee does not have any direct financial impacts. The findings and recommendations of the committee with respect to these agreements will have financial considerations that will be discussed when staff returns to Council for consideration of these agreements by the end of FY2009/10.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted by:   
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Approved by:   
Marty Hanneman  
Director of Utilities

Recommendation Approved:

  
Gus Vina, Interim City Manager

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**Attachment 1**

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**ESTABLISH A SOLID WASTE AD HOC COMMITTEE**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. For the last 18 months, City staff has been negotiating with Sacramento County and BLT Enterprises of Sacramento, LLC (BLT) on agreements that will bring solid waste back into the region for disposal at Kiefer Landfill.
- B. The proposed agreements with Sacramento County and BLT for in-region solid waste disposal have significant environmental impacts that will reduce fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions by 85% per year compared to the current disposal agreement that takes City waste to Lockwood, Nevada.
- C. The Mayor will appoint the four members to the Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee and will remain in existence until its duties as stated in the staff report are fulfilled.
- D. The Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee will provide policy direction to staff during the negotiations and ultimately to the full City Council during its consideration of the in-region disposal agreements by the end of FY2009/10.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee is hereby created and the members are appointed by the Mayor.