Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Date: July 10, 2001

Board Meeting Date: July 24, 2001

To:

Honorable Board of Supervisors

From:

Neil R. Cullen, Director of Public Works

Subject:

2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks Area)

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution setting the time and place for a public hearing on the adoption of the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8.

Previous Board Action

- Entered into a franchise agreement with Browning Ferris Industries (BFI) for waste management services in County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area) (CSA8).
- Adopted an Ordinance which provides that user charges for a portion of the cost of garbage collection in CSA8 be collected together with property taxes.
- Adopted the current garbage and recyclables collection user charge base rate for CSA8 on July 23, 1996.

Key Facts

- The County Ordinance Code requires that garbage and recyclables collection charges for a minimum level of service be collected on the tax roll from each parcel in CSA8 receiving service.
- The County-BFI Franchise Agreement requires payment by the County to BFI for the cost of this minimum level of collection service.
- The user charge for CSA8 will remain unchanged for property tax year 2001/2002.
- The Ordinance Code requires a public hearing before your Board prior to adopting the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report.
- The adopted 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report must be filed with the County Controller by August 15.

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Discussion

CSA 8 provides garbage and recyclables collection service in the North Fair Oaks area through a franchise agreement with BFI. The County generates the revenue to pay BFI for the minimum level of these services required by the County Ordinance Code by charging each parcel a user fee. The adoption of the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report and its filing with the Clerk of the Board will result in these user charges being placed on the tax roll, also as required by County Ordinance. The charges will appear on the tax bill of each affected property and be collected in the same manner as the property tax. The recommended action, the setting of a public hearing on the user charge report for August 7, is a procedural first step in this process.

Fiscal Impact

The current user charge base rate is \$13.90 per month. We are recommending that the current user charge base rate remain unchanged for the 2001/2002 user charges report. The individual charges that appear in the user charge report are based on this base rate. At \$13.90 per month the cost of residential garbage and recyclables collection for a typical household in the North Fair Oaks area is lower than the cost of similar service in surrounding communities. There is no impact to the County's General Fund.

A form of Resolution and Notice have been approved by County Counsel, and a copy of this staff report has been sent to the Fair Oaks Community Council.

Neil R. Cullen

Director of Public Works

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cc: Fair Oaks Community Council

Milt Mares, County Counsel

Controller

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Board of Supervisors, County of San Mateo, State of California

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Resolution Setting Time and Place for a Public Hearing on the Filing of the Refuse and Garbage Collection Charges Report for Fiscal Year 2001/2002 for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks Area)

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, San Mateo County Ordinance Code Article 4.1.4.6 requires that refuse and garbage collection charges in County Service Area No. 8 shall be collected on the tax roll in accordance with the amounts shown for each parcel of real property receiving such service as shown in a written report filed with the Clerk of the Board; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County Ordinance Code Section 4.1.4.6.080 requires that notice of the filing of said written report and of the time and place of a hearing thereon to be published once a week for two successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in County Service Area No. 8:

NOW, THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tuesday, August 7, 2001, at 9:00 A.M., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, in the Hall of Justice and Records, Redwood City, California, is hereby fixed as the time and place of the hearing on the filing of the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8 with the Clerk of this Board.

The Director of Public Works shall cause a copy of the "NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING", attached hereto, to be published <u>once a week for two successive weeks</u> prior to the date set for hearing in the <u>San Mateo County Times</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in County Service Area No. 8.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO NOTICE OF HEARING

ON FILING OF THE 2001/2002 GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION CHARGES REPORT FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 8 (NORTH FAIR OAKS AREA)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on the filing with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8, (North Fair Oaks Area). This report contains the individual charge for each parcel of real property receiving garbage and recyclables collection service in the County Service Area No. 8.

The filing of the 2001/2002 Garbage and Recyclables Collection Charges Report for County Service Area No. 8 will result in these charges being placed on the tax roll. They will appear on the tax bill of each affected property and be collected in the same manner as the property tax.

Information concerning these charges may be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works, 555 County Center, 5th Floor, Redwood City, California, telephone (650) 363-4100, during the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

The hearing will be held as follows:

DATE:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2001

TIME:

9:00 A.M.

PLACE:

Board of Supervisors Chambers

Hall of Justice and Records

400 County Center

Redwood City, California

The meeting will be open to the public and anyone interested may appear and he heard on this matter or submit a written statement.

DATE: July 24, 2001

John Maltbie Clerk of the Board