

# TOWN OF FAIRFAX STAFF REPORT April 15, 2020

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Garrett Toy, Town Manager

**SUBJECT:** Authorize Mayor to send Support letter for Emergency Funding Proposal

put forth by the Resource Recovery Coalition of California, which will provide immediate financial relief to solid waste essential service providers such as Marin Sanitary Services (MSS) during this State of Emergency.

## RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Mayor to write a support letter for the Emergency Funding Proposal put forth by the Resource Recovery Coalition of California, which will provide immediate financial relief to our solid waste essential service providers such as Marin Sanitary Services during this State of Emergency.

#### **DISCUSSION**

MSS has requested the Town's support of the Emergency Funding Proposal put forth by the Resource Recovery Coalition of California. The proposal will provide immediate state-wide financial relief to solid waste essential service providers, such as MSS, during this State of Emergency.

Attached is an update from MSS on their services and impacts to revenue due to COVID-19. The closure of businesses has created an immediate and significant loss of income for MSS as well as other solid waste service providers. The proposal is intended to financially support essential solid waste service providers by allowing them to apply to the state for reimbursement of labor costs, based on the company's needs. Solid waste service providers such as MSS provide an essential service to the community which is vital to community safety and must be maintained. In essence, this proposal shifts the potential burden of Covid 19 related revenue reductions from ratepayers to the State. While many details will need to be worked out, staff recommends support of the concept as currently proposed.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

n/a

## **ATTACHMENTS**

A. MSS update on service

- B. Emergency Funding Proposal
- C. Sample letter