



## AGENDA SUMMARY EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

**TITLE:** Proposed Amendments to Humboldt Waste Management Authority's Joint Powers Agreement

**DEPARTMENT:** Community Services

**PREPARED BY:** Robin Praszker

**PRESENTED FOR:** Action       Information only       Discussion

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve proposed amendments to Humboldt Waste Management Authority's Joint Powers Agreement.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

No Fiscal Impact       Included in Budget       Additional Appropriation

### **COUNCIL GOALS/STRATEGIC VISION**

### **DISCUSSION**

At their regular meeting held February 9, 2023, the Humboldt Waste Management Authority (HWMA) Board of Directors unanimously approved proposed amendments to the HWMA Joint Powers Agreement and established an approval step process for Member Agencies to follow.

HWMA's original Joint Powers Agreement was approved in November 1999 by the cities of Arcata, Blue Lake, Eureka, Ferndale, Rio Dell and the County of Humboldt ("Member Agencies"). The cities of Fortuna and Trinidad are not members of HWMA. The primary purpose of HWMA is to secure and manage long-term agreements related to the disposal of Member Agency's solid waste and assumed responsibility for the closure/post-closure activities of the Cummings Road Landfill, and related specified powers. Members are required to provide "Flow Control" of solid wastes and direct their franchise waste haulers to deliver solid waste to HWMA. HWMA also provides diversion services to its members including hazardous waste disposal, carpet and mattress recycling and other related diversion services.

Due to SB1383, member agencies have begun regional planning on organics processing infrastructure which resulted in HWMA's need to amend the Joint Powers Agreement to incorporate the necessary powers to secure flow control of source-separated organic wastes to implement the new state mandated waste diversion and material management requirements.

The HWMA Board approved the attached amendments to the Agreement, and requests that the governing body of each Member review and approve the Restated and Amended Agreement.

The amendments will enable HWMA to secure flow control of designated source separated materials at the future discretion of the Member's governing body. Further, this amendment process presented an opportunity to update the Agreement, remove outdated artifacts and provide clarifications to the Agreement beyond the matter of source separated organics.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

- City Attorney
- City Clerk/Information Services
- Community Services
- Development Services
- Finance
- Fire
- Personnel
- Police
- Public Works