

STAFF REPORT
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Date: December 13, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: **California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery
Certified Community Service Beverage Recycling Collection
Center Program**

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 11-82**, approving the application for the City of Lancaster to establish a Certified Community Service Beverage Recycling Collection Center Program; and if selected, approving the execution of a standard agreement and any amendments thereto; and any related documents necessary to participate in the CalRecycle Beverage Container Recycling Program within the City of Lancaster. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute any documents necessary to register with CalRecycle and to take other actions as needed to facilitate the application, through CalRecycle, in its entirety.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

The City receives a Beverage Container Recycling Grant annually that requires community outreach and City sponsored programs geared towards properly managing beverage container recycling programs. In order to comply with these grant objectives, conditions, and the State's 80% recyclability goal, the City will develop a Certified Community Service Beverage Recycling Collection Center Program. The purpose of this program is to recycle collected beverage containers from City facilities. The storage area for all recyclables collected will be located at the rear of the maintenance yard and will coincide with our current transfer facility activities. Weekly removal of recyclables will be conducted by a local certified recycling processor for reimbursement.

As a condition of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, an approved resolution is required to adopt the application for a Certified Community Service Beverage Recycling Collection Center Program and its implementation. If efforts are successful, the City will use assigned personnel to collect recyclables from City Parks, expand recycling opportunities to our citizens with community based events, and recover redemption values for all recyclables collected to create a sustainable program within the community.

The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act permits certified collection centers to recover scrap value up to an additional \$0.82 a pound above California Redemption Value for every recyclable container collected at our facilities. This additional funding, along with our annual beverage container grant revenue, will bolster our efforts to

expand recycling programs throughout the community and reimburse salary and administrative costs associated with maintaining current and future recycling objectives.

The application and approval of a Certified Community Service Beverage Recycling Collection Center Program will directly support our efforts to obtain an 80% recyclability goal within our community and enhance methods to promote recycling at public events and educational institutions. Additionally, this application for certification will assist in developing and maintaining recycling programs throughout the community and coincide with the goals and directives of the Department of Public Works environmental compliance and community service goals.

Attachment:

Resolution No. 11-82

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