RESPONSE TO COUNCIL QUESTIONS RE: 7/7/20 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Agenda Item #2.G (20-623)

Approve and Authorize the City Manager to Finalize and Execute an Agreement with Golder Associates, Inc. for Operation, Maintenance, Monitoring, and Compliance Services for the Closed All Purpose Landfill and Technical and Construction Support for the Related Santa Clara Project and the Related Budget Amendment

Council Question: How much did we pay Golder for their services for each of the last five years?

Staff Response:

- FY 15/16 \$318,465
- FY 16/17 \$408,569
- FY 17/18 \$364,184
- FY 18/19 \$442,847
- FY 19/20 \$752,316

<u>Council Question</u>: Other than Tasks 5 and 6 (below), did Golder perform the other tasks in the past? Did we add any other tasks to Golder contract because of Related development?

- Task 5 technical support for Related Santa Clara's development project
- Task 6 construction support for non-routine or emergency repairs and construction activities

<u>Staff Response</u>: Yes, Golder has been the City's consultant on the landfill for many years and has historically performed the other tasks for the City.

Tasks 5 and 6 are the only tasks specifically added to the Golder agreement that pertain directly to the Related project. The City is reimbursed by Related for services that are performed under Tasks 5 and 6. There is additional new scope in this contract as compared to previous years because the regulatory agencies have added additional requirements for the City to perform as the owner of the landfill.

Agenda Item #2.I (20-479)

Action to Approve a Water & Sewer Rate Assistance Program for Residential Customers

<u>Council Question</u>: I would like information and details for residents about the application process, when will we launch this?

<u>Staff Response</u>: The application process is being coordinated with Silicon Valley Power (SVP) in order to utilize their existing rate assistance application process that is already in place. The current application will be modified to include Water and Sewer Utilities for ease of use for the customer and implementation of the program. Finance Department (Municipal Services) staff will be creating a new rate for customers enrolled in the program. There will be an education and outreach program to enroll existing customers participating in the SVP rate assistance program through the City's normal communication channels (e.g., City Manager Biweekly Report, social media, publications, etc.). Implementation of the Rate Assistance Program should launch by the second week in August 2020. The Rate Assistance Program information will be on the Water and Sewer Utilities and SVP website around the same time period.