

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
RESOLUTION NO.
SERIES 2019

A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INITIAL PLANNING FOR
POTENTIAL FUTURE USE OF THE SUNNYVALE MATERIALS
RECOVERY AND TRANSFER STATION

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View (CITY) contracted with Recology, Waste Management, the City of Sunnyvale for the collection, processing, and disposal of recyclables, organics, and garbage generated within CITY that terminate in 2021; and

WHEREAS, CITY is evaluating long-term options for the collection, processing, and disposal of recyclables, organics, and garbage; and

WHEREAS, CITY has a Zero-Waste goal of diverting 90 percent of waste from landfill by 2030 (and a current diversion rate of 78 percent); and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale owns the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer (SMaRT®) Station, a materials processing and transfer facility, and is now engaged in planning for the future use of the facility, which includes consideration of multi-city use; and

WHEREAS, CITY, along with the cities of Sunnyvale and Palo Alto have worked collaboratively to process solid waste at the SMaRT Station through a Memorandum of Understanding since 1992; and

WHEREAS, use of the SMaRT Station offers transparent fiscal and operational management, proximity that makes refuse collection more efficient and minimizes transport and climate change emissions compared to more distant facilities, and long-term capacity sufficient to meet material processing needs for CITY; and

WHEREAS, use of the SMaRT Station offers Mountain View residents full-service recyclables drop-off and compost pickup; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale is evaluating options for the future use of the SMaRT Station facility, which includes a partnership option with those cities interested in participation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale invited CITY to discuss partnership opportunities in the use of the SMaRT Station beyond 2021; and

WHEREAS, CITY has serious interest in exploring its continued partnership in the operation of the SMaRT Station; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale requests CITY adopt a resolution committing CITY staff participation in the initial planning of CITY's continued use of the SMaRT Station;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mountain View that the City of Mountain View does hereby:

1. Designate the Assistant Public Works Director and Solid Waste Program Manager to represent CITY in meetings with staff from the City of Sunnyvale and other interested jurisdictions to determine how the SMaRT Station can best meet the future needs of interested parties;

2. Direct CITY staff to share pertinent information regarding planning for the collection, processing, and disposal of recyclables, organics, and solid waste, including current and projected material tonnages; and

3. Direct CITY staff to return to City Council following completion of the initial planning with a summary of the results and recommended next steps.

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