



**DATE:** May 11, 2021

**CATEGORY:** Consent

**DEPT.:** Police

**TITLE:** **Participation in Santa Clara County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Authorizing the Continued Participation in the Santa Clara County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority Program and Extension of the Service Fee, to be read in title only, further reading waived (Attachment 1 to the Council report).

### **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

The County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority (AVASA) program is used to remove abandoned and stored vehicles from the public roadway. The program allows the service to collect a \$1 registration fee for every vehicle registered in the City. Every city that participates in the program receives funds based on population and number of vehicles they tow.

The City has been participating in the AVASA program since January 1992. During Fiscal Years 2010 through 2020, the City removed approximately 5,748 vehicles from the public roadway that were able to be claimed under AVASA, for an average of 575 vehicles per year. In return, the City received approximately \$605,000 in revenue from the AVASA fund during that time period.

Current law, AB 106, authorizes the service fee for each service authority to be extended in increments of up to 10 years if the County Board of Supervisors, by a two-thirds vote and a majority of the cities having a majority of the incorporated population within the County, adopt resolutions providing the extension of the fee.

Staff recommends that the City adopt the resolution required by the new law so that the City may continue to participate in the program.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

For Fiscal Years 2010 through 2020, the City recovered approximately \$605,000 by participating in the AVASA program. Continuing to extend the service fee and participate in the program will allow the City to recover additional funds if the City chooses to participate.

**ALTERNATIVES**

1. End the City's participation in the AVASA program (the City will not be able to receive funds from the program).
2. Provide other direction.

**PUBLIC NOTICING** – Agenda posting.

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Attachment: 1. Resolution