

RESOLUTION NO. 65-10

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
SUPPORTING WASTE DIVERSION THROUGH FOOD WASTE COMPOSTING IN
THE CITY, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT
AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST CONTRA COSTA INTEGRATED WASTE
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000
FOR THE FUNDING OF A FOOD WASTE COLLECTION OUTREACH PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond is dedicated to sustainability and increasing waste diversion from landfills by providing a food waste collection and composting program that will help keep food scraps and other organics out of landfills, helping the City significantly in meeting its waste diversion goals; and

WHEREAS, many Bay Area cities have implemented curbside collection of food scraps and other compostable organic materials with yard debris collection services in the past decade; and

WHEREAS, in December 2009, the City of Richmond, as a member of the WCCIWMA, successfully negotiated the terms of a new green waste processing contract
that will include composting mixed food scraps and yard waste starting July 1, 2010;
and

WHEREAS, starting July 1, 2010, Richmond residents will be able to put food waste in the green waste cart for collection and composting; and

WHEREAS, while installing the infrastructure to collect and compost food waste and other organics is the prerequisite for a successful program, another crucial component is a comprehensive education program to maximize participation; and

WHEREAS, strategies for maximizing participation include publicizing the program extensively throughout the community and providing information about items that belong in the green waste cart and the benefits of composting through outreach materials; and

WHEREAS, the West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority is providing a total of \$160,000 in grant funding to member agencies, \$60,000 of which the

City of Richmond is eligible to receive, to support the implementation of food scraps or organic material recycling programs for use from February 1, 2010 to December 31, 2013.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Richmond supports maximizing waste diversion through food waste composting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Richmond authorizes the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the WCCIWMA to accept a grant in the amount of \$60,000 from the West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority for the funding of a Food Waste Collection Outreach Program.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a City Council meeting held on June 1, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Lopez, Vice Mayor Ritterman, Rogers, Viramontes, and Mayor McLaughlin.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: None.

DIANE HOLMES
Clerk of the City of Richmond

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APPROVED

GAYLE McLAUGHLIN
Mayor

Approved as to form:

RANDY RIDDLE
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 65-10**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on June 1, 2010.