



# Administrative Report

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To: **PUBLIC WORKS, SAFETY, AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**

From: **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

## TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATE ON THE CITY'S SOLID WASTE PROGRAMS

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff is providing this spotlight item to inform the Commission on the City's role in the collection and disposal of solid waste in a manner compliance with State law and best practices. The City engages Athens Services for a large part of this work, and is currently negotiating an amendment to the hauling agreement.

## BACKGROUND

The City provides a range of solid waste services that support public health, environmental protection, and quality of life within the community, while also meeting the requirements of California law. Core services include the collection of trash, recycling, and organics, which are delivered through the City's franchise agreement with its solid waste hauler and are designed to comply with applicable state mandates.

The City is currently working on a Second Amendment to the existing franchise agreement with Athens Services. This amendment is intended to address evolving regulatory requirements and operational needs and may result in changes to existing trash, recycling, and organics programs for multi-family unit residents and commercial properties. Staff continues to work with the franchise hauler to evaluate potential program adjustments and ensure continued service reliability and regulatory compliance.

In addition to regular collection services, the City operates several other solid waste-related programs for residents, including bulky item pickup, street sweeping, paper shredding events, and household hazardous waste collection. These programs are intended to provide convenient disposal options, reduce illegal dumping, and support the City's overall waste reduction and sustainability goals.