

# Item 25-322

Approve Second Amendment to Waste Disposal Agreement with County of Orange May 6, 2025

# BACKGROUND

- Access and rates for use of the County of Orange landfill system is governed by a Waste Disposal Agreement (WDA).
- All cities and sanitary districts in Orange County have executed same agreement – County required unanimous approval to implement.
- WDA was originally approved in 2009; amended in 2016; set to expire June 30, 2025.



# BACKGROUND

- County introduced a successor Waste Infrastructure System Enhancement agreement (WISE) to jurisdictions last November.
- WISE as proposed includes a substantial increase to current landfill rates per ton - a 92.3% jump from \$42.65 per ton to \$82 per ton.
- Orange County City Managers (OCCMA) formed a committee and negotiated for an extension of the current WDA via Second Amendment proposed tonight.



# **NEEDS/WHY/BENEFITS**

- Extending the WDA via Second Amendment provides OCCMA committee time to perform all due diligence and negotiate successor WISE agreement.
- This amendment preserves current access to landfills for all waste generated in Huntington Beach.
- There is no financial impact to City if approved the amendment preserves rate structure and annual CPI increase as provided in our proposed FY 25/26 budget for Refuse Fund 504.

# RECOMMENDATION

- County of Orange adoption of Second Amendment is contingent upon 100% approval by all OC jurisdictions.
- Approval of the Second Amendment to the WDA is recommended to ensure continued landfill access and stable rates through June 30, 2026.



#### **Questions?**

