



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



November 9, 2021

ITEM TITLE

Contract Approval: Agreement between the City and the County of San Diego regarding the Sale of Automotive Fuel by the County to the City

Report Number: 21-0165

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Public Works

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

Recommended Action

Adopt a resolution approving the agreement between the City and County of San Diego regarding the Sale of Automotive Fuel by the County to the City through December 31, 2026.

SUMMARY

Since the closing of the former public works center at 707 F Street in 2002, City vehicles assigned to the Police and Fire Departments have acquired fuel on a regular basis from the County fuel site located at the County Courthouse located on 3rd Avenue near “H” Street. The original fuel sales agreement expired on December 31, 2015. A subsequent agreement covering fuel sales from the County for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2021 was approved by Council on June 21, 2016. In order to continue to allow City staff access to the County’s fuel facilities this agreement will cover fuel sales from the County for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change to the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable

DISCUSSION

To allow for greater flexibility, City vehicles assigned to the Police and Fire Departments have regularly acquired fuel at the San Diego County Courthouse on 3rd Avenue. This site is very convenient for the Police Department headquarters and for Fire Department vehicles housed at the Civic Center and at Fire Station #1 that operate on gasoline. There are a total of 28 County-operated fuel sites throughout the County that are available as necessary for City vehicles and are particularly useful for Police undercover operations. As had been done for the past nineteen years, the County proposes to charge the City for all fuel used at the County's current cost per gallon, plus a surcharge to be determined annually by the County's Cost Commission. City staff has reviewed the pricing mechanism and finds the terms and conditions to be acceptable.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the real property holdings of the City Council members do not create a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.). Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision-maker conflict of interest in this matter.

CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the current fiscal year Central Garage Operation budget. Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the operating budget this fiscal year for the purchase of motor vehicle fuel from all sources.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

There is no ongoing additional fiscal impact as a result of this action. The fuel budget is reviewed and amended on an annual basis as needed and is considered as part of the normal budget process.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

Automotive Fuel Sales Agreement – County of San Diego

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