

RESOLUTION NO. 16081

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY
AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO EXPAND THE CITY'S
UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE SOLID WASTE
CUSTOMERS**

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2016, the City Council adopted a resolution annually appropriating \$60,000 to the Water Fund and \$60,000 to the Sewer Fund from revenue received through penalties and interest on delinquent water and sewer payments, respectively, to provide for a water and sewer bill assistance program and authorizing the Public Works Director to create and administer such a program; and

WHEREAS, in addition to water and sewer services, the City of Redwood City ("City") also manages solid waste collection services for its customers; and

WHEREAS, the City understands that certain solid waste customers have fixed or low incomes and may have difficulties paying solid waste charges; and

WHEREAS, the City's Foundational Guiding Principle is to put equity first, so that policies serve the entire community; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to expand the current utility bill assistance program to include solid waste services; and

WHEREAS, the City desires that the Public Works Director expand the current utility bill assistance program to subsidize solid waste services for certain fixed and low income solid waste customers; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2022, the City Council approved one-time funds in the amount of \$20,000 as part of the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget to provide initial funding for a solid waste assistance program; and

WHEREAS, funding for solid waste rate assistance will be available from revenue received as a result of penalties and interest from delinquent solid waste accounts, and the City anticipates appropriating these funds through the budget process for this program beginning Fiscal Year 2023-24; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Sub-Committee has reviewed and provided feedback on the staff's proposal for the expanded utility bill assistance program to include solid waste services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
REDWOOD CITY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Public Works Director is authorized to expand the current utility bill assistance program to include solid waste services and administer the expanded program.
2. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Redwood City at a
Joint City Council/Successor Agency Board/Public Financing Authority Meeting
thereof held on the 3rd day of October 2022 by the following votes:

AYES: Aguirre, Espinoza-Garnica, Gee, Howard, Martinez
Saballos, Reddy and Mayor Hale

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

RECUSED: None



Giselle Hale
Mayor of the City of Redwood City

Attest:



Pamela Aguilar, CMC
City Clerk of Redwood City

I hereby approve the foregoing resolution this
5th day of October 2022.



Giselle Hale
Mayor of the City of Redwood City