



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** Res. 2019-194R, **Version:** 1

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### **AGENDA CAPTION:**

Consider approval of Resolution 2019-194R, approving a grant agreement with The Recycling Partnership, a 501(c)(3) organization, to accept a cash grant in the amount of \$25,000 and an in-kind grant valued at \$75,000 to assist the City with methods to increase recycling and reduce contamination at multifamily properties; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the City; and declaring an effective date.

**Meeting date:** September 30, 2019

**Department:** Neighborhood Enhancement/Resource Recovery

### **Amount & Source of Funding**

**Funds Required:** N/A

**Account Number:** N/A

**Funds Available:** N/A

**Account Name:** N/A

### **Fiscal Note:**

**Prior Council Action:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**City Council Strategic Initiative:** [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

N/A

Choose an item.

Choose an item.

**Comprehensive Plan Element (s):** [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.

☒ Environment & Resource Protection - Pro-active policies that encourage recycling, resource, and energy efficiency

☐ Land Use - Choose an item.

☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.

☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.

☐ Transportation - Choose an item.

☐ Not Applicable

**Master Plan:** *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Choose an item.

**Background Information:**

In 2010, the City of San Marcos contracted with TDS to provide recycling at all multifamily properties. Resource Recovery has an active program to educate residents in multifamily complexes, but still see lots of contamination in the carts and dumpsters during audits. Nationwide, common challenges with multifamily recycling are participation and contamination.

The Recycling Partnership, a national non-profit, has chosen three cities to conduct pilot programs to gather information on different strategies to encourage more participation in recycling and lower contamination. San Marcos has been chosen to be one of the cities to gather data and develop a leading practice to increase recycling participation and reduce contamination.

The one-year agreement states the Recycling Partnership will help create new educational material and provide the materials to be passed out, purchase up to 4,000 in-unit recycle bins to be distributed by Resource Recovery, and provide funds to pay interns to conduct a pilot valet recycling service for up to 2,000 individual multifamily apartment units.

Project Element	Cash Funding	In-kind Funding
Goal 1 - Valet Service	\$25,000	
Goal 2 - Education/Outreach		\$45,000 in print material
Goal 3 - In-Unit Bins		\$30,000 in bins
Subtotal	\$25,000	\$75,000
Project Total	\$100,000	

In addition to the above, the Recycling Partnership will provide up to \$30,000 in design and technical assistance which is not included in the total value of the grant.

**Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

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**Alternatives:**

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**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval.