

RESOLUTION R2012 100

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A
DISPOSAL REDUCTION POLICY FOR THE CITY OF
NAPA**

WHEREAS, the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939) required that all California jurisdictions achieve a landfill diversion rate of 50% by the year 2000, and reduce, reuse, recycle, and compost all discarded materials to the maximum extent feasible before any landfilling or other destructive disposal method is used; and

WHEREAS, the City of Napa has consistently met or exceeded the mandate of AB 939 with a 63% landfill diversion rate in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the State of California through the enactment of AB 341 (Chapter 476, Statutes of 2011) has established a statewide policy goal for California that not less than 75% of the solid waste generated be source-reduced, recycled or composted by 2020; and

WHEREAS, establishment of a "Disposal Reduction Policy" for the City of Napa would align City policy goals with the statewide target of 75% reduction in landfill disposal of solid waste by 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has demonstrated support for solid-waste related sustainability measures, including but not limited to Extended Producer Responsibility, a Sustainable Purchasing Policy, the High Performance Building Ordinance, and the Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, a resource management-based economy will create and sustain more productive and meaningful jobs; and,

WHEREAS, through the application of innovative policies, programs and facilities the vast majority of discarded materials and natural resources can be recovered; and

WHEREAS, with the appropriate economic incentives, manufacturers will produce and sell products that are durable and repairable - that can be safely recycled back into the marketplace or nature - and will package items in materials that are recyclable or can be returned to nature; and

WHEREAS, local governments in California are empowered to establish policies and programs to eliminate waste, to create the economic and regulatory environment in which to achieve the maximum recovery of solid waste, and to lead by example; and

WHEREAS, some businesses in Napa and throughout the United States are leading the way for reduction of solid waste disposal to save money, increase efficiencies, reduce their liabilities, and decrease their greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, a local Disposal Reduction Policy would be consistent with the City's Sustainability Plan and promote the highest and best use of materials to eliminate waste and pollution, emphasizing a closed-loop system of production and consumption, moving in logical increments toward the goal of less landfill disposal of solid waste resources through the core principles of:

- Pursuing 'upstream' re-design strategies for producers to reduce the volume and toxicity of discarded products and materials, and promote low-impact lifestyles;**
- Improving 'downstream' systems and programs to allow local generators to maximize the reuse, recycling and composting of end-of-life products and materials to ensure their highest and best use;**
- Fostering and supporting use of discarded products and materials to reinvest in the local economy and create good green jobs; and**

WHEREAS, adoption of a local Disposal Reduction Policy provides clear direction to City staff to consider and evaluate through a cost/benefit analysis any new or improved policies, infrastructure or programs that will allow the City to meet or exceed a minimum 75% landfill diversion goal by 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Napa, as follows:

1. The City Council hereby finds that the facts set forth in the recitals to this Resolution are true and correct, and establish the factual basis for the City Council's adoption of this Resolution.

2. The City Council hereby establishes the City's Disposal Reduction Policy, to be consistent with the statewide policy goal; that is that the City goal to achieve not less than 75% waste diversion from landfill disposal by 2020. The City Council hereby directs the Public Works Director, or his designee, to evaluate and implement actions to meet this goal, including the preparation and incorporation of cost/benefit analyses (identifying the most cost-effective means of meeting this goal) when evaluating and prioritizing new policies and programs, such as waste prevention, reuse, recycling or composting activities.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

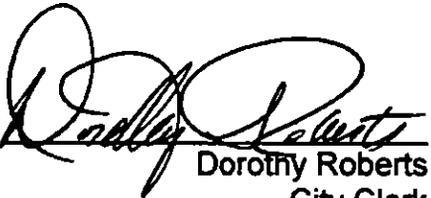
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Napa at a public meeting of said City Council held on the 24th day of July, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: Mott, van Gorder, Inman, Techel

NOES: None

ABSENT: Krider

ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST: 
Dorothy Roberts
City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Michael W. Barrett
City Attorney