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Substitute resolution approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County regarding a Regional Recycling Agreement for Processing and Marketing Recyclables.

This resolution approves an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County regarding a Regional Recycling Agreement for Processing and Marketing Recyclables. The Commissioner of Public Works is authorized to execute the cooperation agreement on behalf of the City.

Whereas, Both the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County each own a Material Recovery Facility ("MRF") that historically has been operated under private contract and has processed similar annual quantities of residential recyclables; and

Whereas, Between 2007 and 2012, a series of independent studies were completed by the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County to determine the best future path for recyclable processing to adapt to the industry trend of single-stream collection and processing systems; and

Whereas, In 2013, the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County executed an intergovernmental cooperation agreement and subsequently accepted proposals for the processing and marketing of combined City of Milwaukee/Waukesha County recyclables at either a privately-owned and operated MRF or a publicly-owned and privately-operated MRF; and

Whereas, In December 2013, after completing a competitive proposal review process, members of the joint City of Milwaukee/Waukesha County technical and financial review committees unanimously recommended an Intent to Award to Resource Recovery Systems, LLC d/b/a "ReCommunity" for their proposal to process Waukesha County and City single-stream recyclables at the existing Milwaukee MRF; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County desire to cooperate in the construction and operation of a joint single-stream MRF at the existing Milwaukee MRF for the processing of all recyclables for which they are responsible units (RU) and other third-party recyclables, it being determined to be advantageous to residents to do so by maximizing the return on investment and the recovery of public costs, including recycling collection costs; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County intend that various fees to be charged for the transfer, processing, and/or handling of recyclables shall entirely or very nearly offset the ongoing operating expenses for this joint MRF, that capital costs and improvements for the Entity Equipment be shared equally between the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County, that capital costs and improvements for property owned separately and exclusively by each of the City of Milwaukee and

Waukesha County be paid separately by the owner of that property, and that revenues and profits generated by the operation of this joint MRF, including revenues from the processing of other third-party recyclables, be shared between the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County regarding a Regional Recycling System for Processing and Marketing Recyclables is approved in substantially the same form as is attached to this file; and, be it

Further Resolved, The City Comptroller is directed to establish an education fund for the purposes of recycling outreach, education and promotional activities as set forth in this agreement; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works is authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller and other City officials are directed to take whatever steps are necessary to fulfill the intent of this resolution.

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