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TO:

Office of the City Administrator

ATTN:

Dan Lindheim

FROM:

Public Works Agency

DATE:

March 17, 2009

RE:

Supplemental Report On The Resolution In Support Of Assembly Bill (AB) 68

(Brownley) And Assembly Bill (AB) 87 (Davis) – Solid Waste: Single Use Carryout Bags, Which Would Require On Or After July 1, 2010, A Store

Providing Plastic Carryout Bags To Customers To Charge Not Less Than \$0.25

Per Bag

SUMMARY

This supplemental report provides a response to the Rules and Legislative Committee request on March 5, 2009 for information clarifying the major differences between Assembly Bill (AB) 68 (Brownley) and Assembly Bill (AB) 87 (Davis).

AB 68 and AB 87 are substantially similar bills and staff has been advised by the City lobbyist that at some point in the legislative process they will merge into one bill. The main difference is the mechanics of conforming the language of the bill to existing statutes. Supporting both bills retains the City's options as these bills move through the legislature. Below is the summary comparing AB 68 and AB 87.

AB 68 - Brownley	AB 87 - Davis		
Establishes Chapter 5.3 in the Public	Amends Chapter 5.1 (Existing At Store Recycling		
Resources Code	Program)		
Stores may not retain more than \$.10 cents	Stores may not retain more than \$.07 cents per bag that is		
per bag that is a green (compostable) bag.	a green (compostable) bag.		
No requirement for stores to work with local	Stores must coordinate with local jurisdiction in		
jurisdictions.	expending its revenue from the fee.		
Cities may receive up to 80% of fund for	Cities may receive up to 92% of fund for environmental		
environmental programs	programs		
Board of Equalization (BOE) is limited to	BOE is limited to 3% of funds for admin. costs.		
5% of funds for admin. costs.			
BOE is limited to 5% of funds for	BOE is limited to 5% of funds to implement		
administering chapter requirements	environmental programs.		
Does not specify how the state will	Brings administration and funding distribution under the		
administer the program and distribute funds	existing system used by the Dept. of Conservation for the		
	City/County Block Grant program.		
On or before January 1, 2012, the Cal-EPA	On or before January 1, 2012 and biennially thereafter,		
required to report effectiveness to the	the BOE in conjunction with State Water Resources		
Legislature	Control Board, State Air Resources Control Board and		
	regional water quality control boards and stakeholders		
	required to report effectiveness.		

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Chain stores which have total combined store space of 10,000 square feet or larger within a jurisdiction are required to comply with either legislation. After costs to implement and manage the program, stores must use their portion of the fee to develop and implement educational campaigns encouraging the use of reusable bags.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Resolution to support AB 68 (Brownley) and AB 87 (Davis).

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Office of the City Administrator

Item: City Council
March 17, 2009