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## AGENDA REPORT

TO: DEANNA J. SANTANA, CITY ADMINISTRATOR FROM: Donna Hom

SUBJECT: Delinquent Garbage Fees

DATE: November 7, 2013

City Administrator

Approval

Date

COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-Wide

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the resolution accepting and confirming reports of the City Administrator on the costs incurred by the City Of Oakland for delinquent garbage service fees and confirming the recordation of liens with administrative and assessment charges as necessary – pursuant to Chapter 8.28 of the Oakland Municipal Code, and directing the notice of lien and assessment charges be turned over to the County Tax Collector for collection.

### **OUTCOME**

Adoption of this resolution will authorize the placement of liens on 6,755 accounts (a list of delinquent accounts is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, 1st floor City Hall) and authorize the subsequent assessment for all fees and charges should they remain unpaid prior to the transfer of said assessment to the County Assessor for inclusion on the next property tax assessment.

### **BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY**

Pursuant to Chapter 8.28 of the Oakland Municipal Code, administrative hearings were held to hear protests and resolve any inconsistencies or inequities regarding the delinquent mandatory garbage fees prior to the public hearing before City Council.

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### **ANALYSIS**

Waste Management of Alameda County billed the City \$947,886 which represents monthly charges for April through June 2013, and quarterly charges for July through September 2013. The bill is due and payable after the public hearing proceedings. Property owners owe the City delinquent garbage charges totaling \$947,886 and administrative fees totaling \$479,840 creating a grand total of \$1,427,726 for this period. The City will transfer all unpaid charges and fees to the Alameda County Tax Roll, and payments received through the County will be deposited in the City's Mandatory Garbage Fund (1700).

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

On November 5, 2013 pursuant to Chapter 8.28 of the Oakland Municipal Code, an administrative hearing was held to hear protests and resolve any inconsistencies or inequities prior to this public hearing before the City Council. Each affected property owner was notified of the administrative hearing.

34 cases were resolved and removed from the list of delinquent properties. A resolution has been prepared confirming the placement of liens on 6,755 accounts (a list of delinquent accounts is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, 1st floor City Hall) and authorizing the subsequent assessment for all fees and charges, should they remain unpaid at the time of submission to the County Assessor.

### **COORDINATION**

In coordination with the Office of the City Attorney and the Budget Office, the agenda report, resolutions, and supporting items attached to this report have been reviewed and/or approved for form, legality and fiscal implications.

### **COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS**

If the City fails to place liens to recover the delinquent garbage charges, the City's Mandatory Garbage Fund (1700) may potentially lose a grand total of \$1,427,726 for this period.

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### **SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

<u>Economic:</u> Collections of delinquent garbage charges have major economic implications for the City's sustainability. The revenue source is relied upon to fund essential City services.

<u>Environmental</u>: There are no environmental opportunities resulting from the recordation of liens.

<u>Social Equity:</u> Collections of delinquent garbage charges have significant social equity implications for the City's sustainability. The revenue source is relied upon to fund essential City services to all citizens and taxpayers.

For questions regarding this report, please contact David McPherson, Revenue and Tax Administrator at (510) 238-6650.

Respectfully submitted

Doma Hom

Budget Director,

Budget & Revenue Division

Prepared by:

David McPherson, Revenue & Tax Administrator

**Budget & Revenue Division** 

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# PER OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL FAMILY SITUATION NO. 2013 NOV 25 AM 9: 50 Introduced by Councilmember

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND CONFIRMING REPORTS OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND FOR DELINQUENT GARBAGE SERVICE FEES AND CONFIRMING THE RECORDATION OF LIENS WITH ADMINISTRATIVE AND ASSESSMENT CHARGES AS NECESSARY – PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 8.28 OF THE OAKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, AND DIRECTING THE NOTICE OF LIEN AND ASSESSMENT CHARGES BE TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR FOR COLLECTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 8.28 of the Oakland Municipal Code, the City Administrator filed with the City Clerk on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013 the reports concerning the costs incurred by the City of Oakland for delinquent garbage service fees and recordation of liens with added administrative and assessment charges on hereinafter described real property; and

WHEREAS, December 10, 2013, 6:30 p.m., was fixed as the day and hour for the Council to hear any protests by property owners or other interested persons regarding delinquent charges for garbage services rendered, and to hear and accept the reports of the City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, no protest were made at said hearing; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the reports which the City Administrator filed with the City Clerk on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013 concerning delinquent garbage service fees, the recordation of liens with administrative and assessment charges for the real property described in the reports of the City Administrator attached hereto, be and are hereby accepted and confirmed, and assessments are hereby authorized to be levied upon the properties described in the attached reports in the amount set opposite each description for costs incurred for delinquent garbage service fees, added administrative and assessment charges; and be it

	<b>FURTHER RESOLVED:</b> That if any assessment levied on a property is not paid before 10th day of August 2014, the City Administrator shall present an itemized report to the August 2014, the Controller of the County of Alameda, State of California, to be placed on the 2014-2015 Cax Roll.	ıditor-
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RESOLVED: That the hearing of the reports of the City Administrator on delinquent garbage service fees and recordation of liens with added administrative and assessment charges that was duly noticed and held on the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of December 2013, 6:30 p.m., is hereby continued for further hearing on the day of in City Hall, One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Council Chambers, Oakland, Califomia.
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## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S. 2013 NOV 25 AM 9: 5 | Introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION OVERRULING PROTESTS AND OBJECTIONS AND REPORTS ACCEPTING AND CONFIRMING **OF** THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND FOR DELINOUENT GARBAGE SERVICE FEES AND RECORDATION **OF AUTHORIZING** THE **LIENS** WITH ADMINISTRATIVE AND ASSESSMENT CHARGES AS NECESSARY -PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 8.28 OF THE OAKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, AND DIRECTING THE NOTICE OF LIEN AND ASSESSMENT CHARGES BE TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR FOR COLLECTION

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WHEREAS, December 10, 2013 6:30 p.m., was fixed as the day and hour for the Council to hear any protests by property owners or other interested persons regarding delinquent charges for garbage services rendered, and to hear and accept the reports of the City Administrator; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the protests are hereby overruled; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the reports the City Administrator filed with the City Clerk on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013 concerning delinquent garbage service fees and the recordation of hens with administrative and assessment charges for the real property described in the reports of the City Administrator attached hereto, be and are hereby accepted and confirmed, and the assessments are hereby authorized to be levied upon the properties described in the attached reports, in the amounts set opposite each description for costs incurred for delinquent garbage service fees, added administrative and assessment charges; and be it

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