

RESOLUTION NO. 4327

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD ADOPTING AN ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASES POLICY (EPPP), PROVIDING THAT ALL DEPARTMENTS SHALL, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, USE RECYCLED PRODUCTS AND RECYCLED MATERIALS TO MEET THEIR NEEDS

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code Sections 40000 et. Seq. authorize the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to administer various Grant Programs in furtherance of the State of California's (State) efforts to reduce, reuse, and recycle solid waste generated in the State thereby preserving landfill capacity and protecting public health and safety and the environment; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this authority the CIWMB is required to establish procedures governing the application, awarding, and management of the grants; and

WHEREAS, Grant Application procedures require an Applicant's governing body to authorize by resolution its approval for submittal of the Grant Application(s) identified below, and the designation by job title of the individual authorized to execute all Grant documents on behalf of the City of Soledad; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City of Soledad will enter into a Grant Agreement with the CIWMB for implementation of said Grant(s).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Council hereby approves new City Policy No. 461, Environmentally Preferable Purchases Policy, in the form of the document hereunto attached, and incorporated herein by reference, marked "Exhibit A."

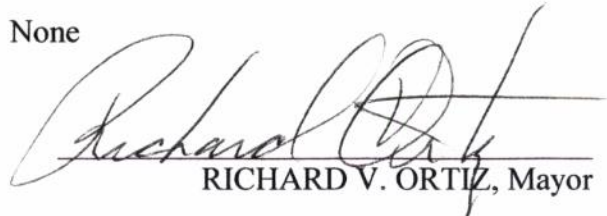
PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Soledad duly held on the 7th day of January 2009, by the following vote:

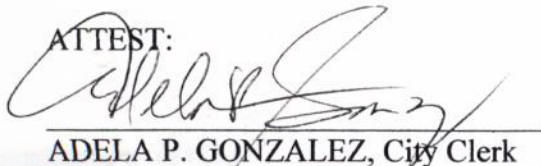
AYES, and in favor thereof, Councilmembers: Richard J. Perez, Juan Saavedra, Patricia Stephens, Mayor Pro Tem Martha Camacho, Mayor Richard Ortiz

NOES, Councilmembers: None

ABSTAIN, Councilmembers: None

ABSENT, Councilmembers: None


RICHARD V. ORTIZ, Mayor

ATTEST:

ADELA P. GONZALEZ, City Clerk

ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASES POLICY

The City of Soledad provides that all departments shall, whenever possible, use recycled products and recycled materials to meet their needs. This policy is enacted to demonstrate compliance with the Waste Management Reduction Act and foster market development for recycled products.

PURCHASE POLICIES

- A. All City of Soledad departments shall use recycled products whenever practicable. Special emphasis shall be placed on the purchase of products manufactured with post-consumer recycled materials.
- B. All City of Soledad departments may, at their option and with purchasing concurrence, require procurement of designated recycled products or recycled products above the levels required by this policy.
- C. The City of Soledad shall require its contractors and consultants to use and specify recycled products in fulfilling contractual obligations whenever practicable.
- D. The City of Soledad shall promote the use of recycled products by publicizing its procurement policy whenever practicable.

PURCHASE RESPONSIBILITIES OF RECYCLED PRODUCTS AND MATERIALS COORDINATOR

The City Manager or her/his designee shall coordinate the implementation of this policy. S/he will establish a list of recycled products that shall be purchased by all City of Soledad departments whenever practicable and will develop the mechanism for maintenance, additions, and deletions to the list of recycled products available for procurement. Maintenance of the list will include addition of new products containing recycled material as they become available. Specifications of these new products and their suggested uses will be made available to all City of Soledad departments. The City Manager or her designee will also work with all departments to establish minimum recycled content standards for designated recycled products to maximize recycled product availability, recycled content, and competition. The City Manager or her/his designee will also be responsible for annual policy review.

ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRACTICES

The City of Soledad will act to make resource conservation an integral part of its waste reduction and recycling programs. The practice of discarding materials used in the City of Soledad facilities is wasteful of natural resources, energy, and money.

PRACTICE POLICIES

- 1. The City of Soledad will integrate the concept of resource conservation, including waste reduction and recycling, into its environmental programs.

Exhibit A

2. The City of Soledad will decrease the amount of waste of consumable materials by: a) reducing the consumption of consumable materials wherever possible; b) fully utilizing all materials prior to disposal; and c) minimizing the use of non-biodegradable products wherever possible.
3. The City of Soledad will cooperate with, and participate in, recycling efforts being made by the City and County. As systems for recovering waste and recycling develop within the City of Soledad, the City will participate by appropriately separating and allowing recovery of recyclable waste products.
4. The City of Soledad will purchase, where financially viable, recycled products. The City of Soledad will also encourage suppliers, both private and public, to make recyclable products and unbleached paper products available for purchase.
5. Representatives of the City of Soledad will actively advocate, where appropriate, for resource conservation practices to be adopted at the local, regional, and national levels.