

AR-2: AMENDMENT TO TITLE 8 (HEALTH AND SAFETY) OF THE MONROVIA MUNICIPAL CODE

City Council

December 7, 2021



Background

- SB 1383 (Short-Lived Climate Pollutants Act) was adopted in 2016 and established methane emission reduction targets.
- The State mandated goal is to reduce organic waste to landfills by 50% by 2020, 75% by 2025 and recover 20% of edible food waste for human consumption.

SB 1383 Requirements

- SB 1383 requires local jurisdictions to update or develop programs such as:
 - Update collection and recycling programs to provide organic waste collection services to all residential and commercial customers
 - Develop a local procurement program using recycling organic products
 - Develop a new food recovery program
 - Collaborate with LA County on regional capacity planning
 - Update local ordinances to require enforcement of mandatory organic recycling program participation

Ongoing Efforts

- The City of Monrovia has continued to lead the charge regionally with the SGVCOG Solid Waste Working Group:
 - City Staff was voted by the group to sit on a three member board to review proposals and interview regional food program vendors to assist with the mandated Food Recovery Program
- The City of Monrovia has been proactive to hire a consultant (SCS Engineers) to assist with identifying and road mapping compliance tasks and action items for SB 1383
- City Staff, Athens, and SCS Engineers meet monthly to discuss and distribute task items to ensure timeliness for tasks

Analysis

- AB 341, enacted in 2011, required commercial businesses and public entities that generate four cubic yards or more of organic waste per week to implement an organic recycling program.
- AB 1826, enacted in 2014, required businesses and multi-family properties to implement a recycling program to divert organic waste and report progress to CalRecycle
- Both laws required organic recycling but did not include non-compliance penalties.
- Based on very low participation and compliance, the State legislature enacted SB 1383 in 2016

Ordinance 2021-11

- The ordinance adds specific definitions for mandatory organic waste disposal and related terms that are consistent with SB 1383 by way of adding Section 8.46
- Section 8.46.030 and Section 8.46.040 add enforcement language for mandatory organics recycling
- Section 8.46.050 adds a waiver section:
 - Waivers can be granted due to spatial requirements or tonnage

Options and Recommendation

- Option 1: Approve the amendments of the Monrovia Municipal Code contained in Ordinance 2021-11; or,
- Option 2: Reject the amendments of the Monrovia Municipal Code contained in Ordinance 2021-11 and provide staff with alternative direction
- **Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Council approve the amendment to Title 8 of the Monrovia Municipal Code**

Next Steps and Status Update

- Update collection and recycling programs to provide organic waste collection services to all residential and commercial customers (Staff has had initial discussion with Athens Services)
- Develop a local procurement program using recycling organic products (Staff is currently developing this program)
- Develop a new food recovery program (Ongoing, outreach and education efforts are set to begin through the SGVCOG regional effort. Development of the recovery portion is ongoing)
- Collaborate with LA County on regional capacity planning (Ongoing, LA County participates in the SGVCOG Solid Waste Working Group)
- Update local ordinances to require enforcement of mandatory organic recycling program participation (Pending tonight's decision, this task would be complete)

QUESTIONS?
