



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** September 15, 2009

**TO:** Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Administration Division, Public Works Department

**SUBJECT:** Records Destruction For Public Works Department

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Relating to the Destruction of Records Held by the Public Works Department in the Administration, Facilities Maintenance, Transportation and Water Resources Divisions.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 07-066 on July 24, 2007, approving the City of Santa Barbara Records Management Policies and Procedures Manual (Manual). The Manual contains the records retention and disposition schedules for all City departments. The schedules are a comprehensive listing of records created or maintained by the City, the length of time each record should be retained, and the legal retention authority. If no legal retention authority is cited, the retention period is based on standard records management practice.

Pursuant to the Manual, the Public Works Director submitted a request for records destruction to the City Clerk Services Manager to obtain written consent from the City Attorney. The City Clerk Services Manager agreed that the list of records proposed for destruction conformed to the retention and disposition schedules. The City Attorney has consented in writing to the destruction of the proposed records.

The Public Works Director requests the City Council to approve the destruction of Public Works Department records in the Administration, Facilities Maintenance, Transportation and Water Resources Divisions, listed on Exhibit A of the Resolution, without retaining a copy.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:**

Under the City's Sustainable Santa Barbara Program, one of the City's goals is to increase recycling efforts and divert waste from landfills. The Citywide Records Management Program outlines that records approved for destruction be recycled, reducing paper waste.

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**APPROVED BY:** City Administrator's Office