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The Finance Committee met on April 3, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the administrative offices and via Zoom virtual conference. Committee members in attendance were Directors Shirley, McKee and Peake. Staff members in attendance were Felipe Melchor, Guy Petraborg, Helen Rodriguez, Zoe Shoats, Jay Ramos, Garth Gregson and Ida Gonzales. Legal counsel Bob Rathie was also in attendance.

Approve Finance Committee Minutes - February 7, 2024

The Committee approved the minutes of the February 7, 2024 Finance Committee meeting.

Discussion of District Fee Increases for FY 2024/25 Preliminary Budget

Staff presented information proposing new fees for fiscal year 2025. The proposed increases are in the 4-5% range for all material categories. In addition staff proposed increasing the minimum charges on most material categories. Most of the minimum charges have not been adjusted for over 10 years. There were questions and discussion and the proposed price schedule will be presented at the April Board meeting.

Discuss Draft White Paper

Staff gave a presentation on the draft white paper. The current draft report contains two parts describing solid waste practices in California and solid waste practices at ReGen. Staff proposed adding a third part to the paper and then presenting the amended paper to the Board at a future meeting. There were questions and discussion and staff will proceed with amending the paper in preparation for presenting to the Board.

Discuss SB1383 Applicability to Biosolids, Fiscal 2025 Disposal Rate and Extend of Diversion

Staff presented information about the current status of biosolid processing at ReGen and the impact of SB1383 on future biosolid processing. There was discussion about the current and future implementation requirements of SB1383. There was discussion about if ReGen should continue to receive biosolid material after 2024 and if ReGen continues to receive biosolid material what the should the price per ton be. Monterey One Water is the largest supplier of biosolid material and the General Manager will discuss the topic with the General Manager at Monterey One Water.

General Manager Communications

The results of the power connection feasibility study will be presented at the next Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30am