RESOLUTION NO. 22-19

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO RESCINDING PRIOR RESOLUTIONS AND ADOPTING THIS RESOLUTION AMENDING POLICY NO. 112 REGARDING ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PROCUREMENT

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of El Centro, California (“the City Council”) previously adopted Resolutions No. 00-98 and 15-106, which approved an in-house waste reduction and recycled-content product procurement policy; and

WHEREAS, the City now is required to comply with the provisions of SB 1383 and the implementing CalRecycle regulations contained in 14 CCR Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 12 (SB 1383 procurement regulations) to procure a specified amount of Recovered Organic Waste Products to support Organic Waste disposal reduction targets and markets for products made from recycled and recovered Organic Waste materials, and to purchase Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper, as those are define in the amended and restated Policy No. 112, attached and incorporated as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, Policy No. 112 contains the provisions of the CalRecycle Model Policy which meets SB 1383 requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing is true, correct and adopted hereby.

Section 2. Resolutions No. 00-98 and 15-106 are hereby rescinded.

Section 3. Policy No. 112, as amended and restated and set out in Exhibit A, is hereby adopted and shall become effective immediately upon adoption of this Resolution.

Section 4. The City Manager or designee shall take all necessary actions to implement and enforce Policy Statement No. 112.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of El Centro, California held on the 1st day of March, 2022.

CITY OF EL CENTRO

By ____________________________

Tomas Oliva, Mayor

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ATTEST:

By Norma Wyles, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney

By Elizabeth L. Martyn, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA 
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CITY OF EL CENTRO 

I, L. Norma Wyles, City Clerk of the City of El Centro, California, do hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution No. 22-19 was duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of El Centro, California, held on the 1st day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Garcia, Viegas-Walker, Oliva, Cardenas-Singh, Marroquin
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

By Norma Wyles, City Clerk
CITY OF EL CENTRO
POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Statement No: 112
Category: General
Subject: Environmentally Preferable Procurement
Adopted: November 17, 2015
Revised: March 1, 2022
Distribution: All Departments

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

A. It is the policy of the City, applicable to all departments and divisions, to incorporate environmental considerations including recycled-content and recovered Organic Waste product use into purchasing practices and procurement. This Environmentally Preferable Procurement Policy (Policy) will help the City to:

1. Protect and conserve natural resources, water, and energy;
2. Minimize the City's contribution to climate change, pollution, and solid waste disposal; and,
3. Comply with State requirements as contained in 14 CCR Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 12 (SB 1383 procurement regulations) to procure a specified amount of Recovered Organic Waste Products to support Organic Waste disposal reduction targets and markets for products made from recycled and recovered Organic Waste materials, and to purchase Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

A. "Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target" means the amount of Organic Waste in the form of a Recovered Organic Waste Product that the City is required to procure annually under 14 CCR Section 18993.1. This target shall be calculated by multiplying the per capita procurement target, which shall be 0.08 tons of Organic Waste per California resident per year, times the City's residential population using the most recent annual data reported by the California Department of Finance. Annually, CalRecycle will provide notice to each City of its Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target by posting such information on CalRecycle's website and providing written notice directly to the City.

B. "Compost" means the product resulting from the controlled biological decomposition of organic solid wastes that are source separated from the
municipal solid waste stream or which are separated at a centralized facility or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 17896.2(a)(4).

Compost eligible for meeting the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target must be produced at a compostable material handling operation or facility permitted or authorized under 14 CCR Chapter 3.1 of Division 7 or produced at a large volume in-vessel digestion facility that composts on-site as defined and permitted under 14 CCR Chapter 3.2 of Division 7. Compost shall meet the State’s composting operations regulatory requirements.

C. “Direct Service Provider” means a person, company, agency, district, or other entity that provides a service or services to City pursuant to a contract or other written agreement or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(17).

D. “Electricity Procured from Biomass Conversion” means electricity generated from biomass facilities that convert recovered Organic Waste, such as wood and prunings from the municipal stream, into electricity. Electricity procured from a biomass conversion facility may only count toward the City’s Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target if the facility receives feedstock directly from certain permitted or authorized compostable material handling operations or facilities, transfer/processing operations or facilities, or landfills, as described in 14 CCR Section 18993.1(i).

E. “City” means City of El Centro

F. “Organic Waste” means solid wastes containing material originated from living organisms and their metabolic waste products including, but not limited to, food, yard trimmings, organic textiles and carpets, lumber, wood, Paper Products, Printing And Writing Paper, manure, biosolids, digestate, and sludges, or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(46). Biosolids and digestate are as defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(4) and 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(16.5), respectively.

G. “Paper Products” include, but are not limited to, paper janitorial supplies, cartons, wrapping, packaging, file folders, hanging files, corrugated boxes, tissue, and toweling; or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(51).

H. “Printing and Writing Papers” include, but are not limited to, copy, xerographic, watermark, cotton fiber, offset, forms, computer printout paper, white wove envelopes, manila envelopes, book paper, note pads, writing tablets, newsprint, and other uncoated writing papers, posters, index cards, calendars, brochures, reports, magazines, and publications; or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(54).

I. “Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products” shall mean purchase or acquisition (e.g., free delivery or free distribution from a hauler or other entity via a written agreement or contract), and end use by the City or others. The City’s Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target can be fulfilled
directly by the City or by Direct Service Providers through written contracts or agreements for Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products at the City's behest.

J. "Publicly-Owned Treatment Works" or "POTW" has the same meaning as in Section 403.3(r) of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations. For the purposes of this Policy, the POTW shall be the City of El Centro Waste Water Treatment Plant located at 2255 N. La Brucherie Avenue, El Centro CA 92243.

K. "Recovered Organic Waste Products" means products made from California, landfill-diverted recovered Organic Waste processed at a permitted or otherwise authorized operation or facility, or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(60). Products that can be used to meet the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target shall include Compost, SB 1383 Eligible Mulch, Renewable Gas from an in-vessel digestion facility, and Electricity Procured from Biomass Conversion as described herein and provided that such products meet requirements of 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 12.

L. "Recordkeeping Designee" means the public employee appointed by the City Manager or their designee to track procurement and maintain records of Recovered Organic Waste Product procurement efforts both by the City and others, if applicable, as required by 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Articles 12 and 13.

M. "Recyclability" means that the Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper offered or sold to the City are eligible to be labeled with an unqualified recyclable label as defined in 16 Code of Federal Regulations Section 260.12 (2013).

N. "Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper" means such products that consist of at least thirty percent (30%), by fiber weight, postconsumer fiber, consistent with the requirements of Sections 22150 to 22154 and Sections 12200 and 12209 of the Public Contract Code, and as amended.

O. "Renewable Gas" means gas derived from Organic Waste that has been diverted from a landfill and processed at an in-vessel digestion facility that is permitted or otherwise authorized by 14 CCR to recover Organic Waste, or as otherwise defined in 14 CCR Section 18982(a)(62).

P. "SB 1383" means Senate Bill 1383 of 2016 approved by the Governor on September 19, 2016, which added Sections 39730.5, 39730.6, 39730.7, and 39730.8 to the Health and Safety Code, and added Chapter 13.1 (commencing with Section 42652) to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, establishing methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants, as amended, supplemented, superseded, and replaced from time to time.
Q. “SB 1383 Regulations” or “SB 1383 Regulatory” means or refers to, for the purposes of this policy, the Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP): Organic Waste Reductions regulations developed by CalRecycle and adopted in 2020 that created Chapter 12 of 14 CCR, Division 7 and amended portions of regulations of 14 CCR and 27 CCR.

R. “SB 1383 Eligible Mulch” means mulch eligible to meet the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target, pursuant to 14 CCR Chapter 12 of Division 7. This SB 1383 Eligible Mulch shall meet the following conditions for the duration of the applicable procurement compliance year, as specified by 14 CCR Section 18993.1(f)(4):

1. Produced at one of the following facilities:
   i. A compostable material handling operation or facility as defined in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(12), that is permitted or authorized under 14 CCR Division 7, other than a chipping and grinding operation or facility as defined in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(10);
   ii. A transfer/processing facility or transfer/processing operation as defined in 14 CCR Sections 17402(a)(30) and (31), respectively, that is permitted or authorized under 14 CCR Division 7; or,
   iii. A solid waste landfill as defined in Public Resources Code Section 40195.1 that is permitted under 27 CCR Division 2.

2. Meet or exceed the physical contamination, maximum metal concentration, and pathogen density standards for land application specified in 14 CCR Sections 17852(a)(24.5)(A)1 through 3, as enforced by City Code Section 12-50.

S. “State” means the State of California.

SECTION 3. RECOVERED ORGANIC WASTE PRODUCT PROCUREMENT

3.1 Procurement Target

A. City will annually procure for use or giveaway a quantity of Recovered Organic Waste Products that meets or exceeds its Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target through the implementation of Sections 3 through 5 of this Policy.

B. To be eligible to meet the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target, products that may be procured include the following (provided that each product meets the criteria included in their respective definition in Section 2 of this Policy):

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1. SB 1383 eligible Compost (as defined in Section 2.B).

2. SB 1383 Eligible Mulch (as defined in Section 2.R).

3. Renewable Gas (in the form of transportation fuel, electricity, or heat) (as defined in Section 2.O) (If available locally).

3.2 Requirements for City Departments

A. Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch procurement. Divisions and departments responsible for landscaping maintenance, renovation, or construction shall:

1. Use Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch produced from recovered Organic Waste, as defined in Section 2.B and 2.R of this Policy, for landscaping maintenance, renovation, or construction, as practicable, whenever available, and capable of meeting quality standards and criteria specified. SB 1383 Eligible Mulch used for land application must meet or exceed the physical contamination, maximum metal concentration and pathogen density standards specified in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(24.5)(A)(1) through (3).

2. When City uses Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch and the applications are subject to the City’s Water Efficient Landscaping Ordinance (WELO), pursuant to City Code Section 12-50, comply with one of the following, whichever is more stringent, (i) the City’s WELO, City Code Section 12-50, if more stringent than the State’s Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO), or (ii) Sections 492.6 (a)(3)(B), (C), (D), and (G) of the State’s Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance, Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 2.7 of the CCR, as amended September 15, 2015, which requires the submittal of a landscape design plan with a “Soil Preparation, Mulch, and Amendments Section” to include the following:

   a. For landscape installations, Compost at a rate of a minimum of 4 cubic yards per 1,000 square feet of permeable area shall be incorporated to a depth of six (6) inches into the soil. Soils with greater than six percent (6%) organic matter in the top six (6) inches of soil are exempt from adding Compost and tilling.

   b. Apply a minimum three- (3-) inch layer of mulch on all exposed soil surfaces of planting areas except in turf areas, creeping or rooting groundcovers, or direct seeding applications where mulch is contraindicated. To provide habitat for beneficial insects and other wildlife, leave up to five percent (5%) of the landscape area without mulch. Designated insect habitat must be included in the landscape design plan as such.

   c. Procure organic mulch materials made from recycled or post-consumer materials rather than inorganic materials or virgin forest
products unless the recycled post-consumer organic products are not locally available. Organic mulches are not required where prohibited by local Fuel Modification Plan Guidelines or other applicable local ordinances.

d. For all mulch that is land applied, procure SB 1383 Eligible Mulch that meets or exceeds the physical contamination, maximum metal concentration, and pathogen density standards for land applications specified in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(24.5)(A)(1) through (3).

3. Keep records, including invoices or proof of Recovered Organic Waste Product procurement (either through purchase or acquisition), and submit records to the Recordkeeping Designee, upon completion of a project.

Records shall include:

a. General procurement records, including:

(i) General description of how and where the product was used and applied, if applicable;

(ii) Source of product, including name, physical location, and contact information for each entity, operation, or facility from whom the Recovered Organic Waste Products were procured;

(iii) Type of product;

(iv) Quantity of each product; and,

(v) Invoice or other record demonstrating purchase or procurement.

b. For Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch provided to residents through giveaway events or other types of distribution methods, keep records of the Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch provided to residents. Records shall be maintained and submitted to the Recordkeeping Designee in accordance with the requirements specified in Section 3.2.A.3.

c. For procurement of SB 1383 Eligible Mulch, maintain an updated copy of the ordinance or enforceable mechanism(s) requiring that the mulch procured by the City or Direct Service Provider meets the land application standards specified in 14 CCR Section 18993.1, as it may be amended from time to time, as currently reflected in City Code Section 12-50.

4. When Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products occurs through
a Direct Service Provider, enter into a written contract or agreement or execute a purchase order with enforceable provisions that includes: (i) definitions and specifications for SB 1383 Eligible Mulch, Compost, and/or Renewable Gas.; and, (ii) an enforcement mechanism (e.g., termination, liquidated damages) in the event the Direct Service Provider is not compliant with the requirements.

B. Renewable Gas procurement (used for fuel for transportation, electricity, or heating applications). For Renewable Gas procurement, if available locally, City shall:

1. Procure Renewable Gas made from recovered Organic Waste for transportation fuel, electricity, and heating applications to the degree that it is appropriate and available for the City and to help meet the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target, which requires compliance with criteria specified in 14 CCR Section 18993.1.

2. Keep records in the same manner indicated in Section 3.2.A.3 for the amount of Renewable Gas procured and used by the City, including the general procurement record information specified in Section 3.2.A.3.a, and submit records to the Recordkeeping Designee on a quarterly schedule. The quarterly schedule shall be as follows: Renewable Gas records are to be provided to the Recordkeeping Designee by April 15 for January 1 through March 31, July 15 for April 1 through June 30, October 15 for July 1 through September 30, and January 15 for October 1 through December 31. City shall additionally obtain the documentation and submit records specified in Section 3.2.B.3 below, if applicable.

3.3 Requirements for Direct Service Providers

A. Direct Service Providers of landscaping maintenance, renovation, and construction shall:

1. Use Compost and SB 1383 Eligible Mulch, as practicable, produced from recovered Organic Waste, as defined in Section 2.B and 2.R of this Policy, for all landscaping renovations, construction, or maintenance performed for the City, whenever available, and capable of meeting quality standards and criteria specified. SB 1383 Eligible Mulch used for land application shall comply with 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 12 and must meet or exceed the physical contamination, maximum metal concentration and pathogen density standards specified in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(24.5)(A)(1) through (3).

2. If Direct Service Provider is subject to the City's WELO pursuant to City Code Section 12-50, comply with one of the following, whichever is more stringent: (i) the locally-adopted WELO that is more stringent than the State's MWEL0, or (ii) Sections 492.6 (a)(3)(B), (C), (D), and (G) of the State’s MWEL0, Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 2.7 of the CCR, as amended September 15, 2015, which requires the submittal of a landscape design
plan with a “Soil Preparation, Mulch, and Amendments Section” to include the following:

a. For landscape installations, Compost at a rate of a minimum of 4 cubic yards per 1,000 square feet of permeable area shall be incorporated to a depth of six (6) inches into the soil. Soils with greater than six percent (6%) organic matter in the top six (6) inches of soil are exempt from adding Compost and tilling.

b. Apply a minimum three- (3-) inch layer of mulch on all exposed soil surfaces of planting areas except in turf areas, creeping or rooting groundcovers, or direct seeding applications where mulch is contraindicated. To provide habitat for beneficial insects and other wildlife, leave up to five percent (5%) of the landscape area without mulch. Designated insect habitat must be included in the landscape design plan as such.

c. Procure organic mulch materials made from recycled or post-consumer materials rather than inorganic materials or virgin forest products unless the recycled post-consumer organic products are not locally available. Organic mulches are not required where prohibited by local Fuel Modification Plan Guidelines or other applicable local ordinances.

d. For all mulch that is land applied, procure SB 1383 Eligible Mulch that meets or exceeds the physical contamination, maximum metal concentration, and pathogen density standards for land applications specified in 14 CCR Section 17852(a)(24.5)(A)(1) through (3).

3. Keep and provide records of Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products (either through purchase or acquisition) to Recordkeeping Designee, upon completion of projects, or as directed by Designee, but not less than once annually. Information to be provided shall include:

a. General description of how and where the product was used and if applicable, applied;

b. Source of product, including name, physical location, and contact information for each entity, operation, or facility from whom the Recovered Organic Waste Products were procured;

c. Type of product;

d. Quantity of each product; and,

e. Invoice or other record demonstrating purchase or procurement.

B. Direct Service Provider of Organic Waste collection services shall:
1. Provide a specified quantity of Compost or SB 1383 Eligible Mulch to City and its customers via periodic "giveaways" as specified in a franchise agreement or other agreement.

2. Keep and provide records to the City including the following:
   a. Dates provided
   b. Source of product including name, physical location and contact information for each entity, operation or facility from whom the Recovered Organic Waste Products were procured;
   c. Type of product;
   d. Quantity provided; and,
   e. Invoice or other record or documentation demonstrating purchase, procurement, or transfer of material to giveaway location.

SECTION 4. RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PROCUREMENT

4.1 Requirements for City Departments

A. Price preference: If fitness and quality of Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper are equal to that of non-recycled items, all departments and divisions of City shall purchase Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper that consists of at least thirty percent (30%), by fiber weight, postconsumer fiber, whenever the total cost is the same or a lesser total cost than non-recycled items or whenever the total cost is no more than five percent (5%) of the total cost for the non-recycled items, consistent with the requirements of the Public Contract Code, Sections 22150 through 22154 and Sections 12200 and 12209, as amended.

B. All Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper shall be eligible to be labeled with an unqualified recyclable label as defined in Title 16 Code of Federal Regulations Section 260.12 (2013).

C. Provide records to the Recordkeeping Designee of all Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper purchases on a schedule to be determined by Recordkeeping Designee (both recycled-content and non-recycled content, if any is purchased) made by a division or department or employee of the City. Records shall include a copy of the invoice or other documentation of purchase, written certifications as required in Section 4.2.A.3-4 for recycled-content purchases, vendor name, purchaser name, quantity purchased, date purchased, and recycled content (including products that contain none), and if non-Recycled-Content Paper Products and/or non-Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper are provided,
include a description of why Recycled-Content Paper Products and/or Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper were not provided.

D. Department heads shall establish and maintain purchase order review procedures to ensure procurement/non-procurement policies and criteria are followed.

4.2 Requirements for Vendors

A. All vendors that provide Paper Products (including janitorial Paper Products) and Printing and Writing Paper to City shall:

1. Provide Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper that consists of at least thirty percent (30%), by fiber weight, postconsumer fiber, if fitness and quality are equal to that of non-recycled item, and available at equal or lesser price or available at no more than five percent (5%) of the total cost for non-recycled Paper Products.


3. Certify in writing, under penalty of perjury, the minimum percentage of postconsumer material in the Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper offered or sold to the City. This certification requirement may be waived if the percentage of postconsumer material in the Paper Products, Printing and Writing Paper, or both can be verified by a product label, catalog, invoice, or a manufacturer or vendor internet website.

4. Certify in writing, under penalty of perjury, that the Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper offered or sold to the City is eligible to be labeled with an unqualified recyclable label as defined in Title 16 Code of Federal Regulations Section 260.12 (2013).

5. Provide records to the Recordkeeping Designee of all Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper purchased from the vendor on a schedule to be determined by Recordkeeping Designee (both recycled-content and non-recycled content, if any is purchased) made by a division or department or employee of the City. Records shall include a copy of the invoice or other documentation of purchase, written certifications as required in Section 4.2.A.3-4 for recycled-content purchases, purchaser name, quantity purchased, date purchased, and recycled content (including products that contain none), and if non-Recycled-Content Paper Products and/or non-Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper are provided, include a description of why Recycled-Content Paper Products and/or Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper were not provided.

B. All vendors providing printing services to the City via a printing contract or written agreement, shall use Printing and Writing Paper that consists of at least thirty
percent (30%), by fiber weight, postconsumer fiber, or as amended by Public Contract Code Section 12209.

SECTION 5. RECORDKEEPING RESPONSIBILITIES

A. The City Manager department will be the responsible department and will select an employee from its or other City Department to act as the Recordkeeping Designee that will be responsible for obtaining records pertaining to Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products and Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper.

B. The Recordkeeping Designee will do the following to track Procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products, Recycled-Content Paper Products, and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper:

1. Collect and collate copies of invoices or receipts (paper or electronic) or other proof of purchase that describe the procurement of Printing and Writing Paper and Paper Products, including the volume and type of all paper purchases; and, copies of certifications and other required verifications from all departments and/or divisions procuring Paper Products and Printing and Writing Paper (whether or not they contain recycled content) and/or from the vendors providing Printing and Writing Paper and Paper Products. These records must be kept as part of City’s documentation of its compliance with 14 CCR Section 18993.3.

2. Collect and collate copies of invoices or receipts or documentation evidencing procurement from all departments and divisions procuring Recovered Organic Waste Products and invoices or similar records from vendors/contractors/others procuring Recovered Organic Waste Products on behalf of the City to develop evidence of City meeting its Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target. These records must be kept as part of the City’s documentation of its compliance with 14 CCR Section 18993.1.

3. Collect, collate, and maintain documentation submitted by the City, Direct Service Providers, and/or vendors, including the information reported to the Recordkeeping Designee in accordance with Sections 3.2.A.3, 3.2.B.2, 3.3.A.3, 3.3.B.2, 4.1.C, and 4.2.A.5.

4. Compile an annual report on the City’s direct procurement, and vendor/other procurement on behalf of the City, of Recovered Organic Waste Products, Recycled-Content Paper Products, and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper, consistent with the recordkeeping requirements contained in 14 CCR Section 18993.2 for the Annual Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Target and 14 CCR Section 18993.4 for Recycled-Content Paper Products and Recycled-Content Printing and Writing Paper procurement. This report shall be made available to the City’s
responsible entity for compiling the annual report to be submitted to CalRecycle (which will include a description of compliance on many other SB 1383 regulatory requirements) pursuant to 14 CCR Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 13. The procurement report shall also be shared with Council annually as evidence of implementing this Policy.

SECTION 6. WASTE PREVENTION / RECYCLING

A) Guidelines

1. Staff should use e-mail or digital media where practical and effective for all communication.
2. All photocopying should be double-sided when documents are greater than one page in length unless precluded by other valid requirements.
3. All City of El Centro forms shall contain information on both sides unless not possible or precluded by other valid requirements.
4. Each department should eliminate duplicate and unnecessary subscription copies of professional journals, magazines, and other correspondence and when possible, request digital versions of the documents.
5. Paper/correspondence that has not been copied on both sides should be used as scratch or note paper made into notepads or used as draft copies for computer printers or copy machines prior to recycling. Each employee is encouraged to maintain an area at his or her desk for storing this scratch paper and using it for appropriate purposes.
6. Recyclable materials should not be placed in trash cans or waste baskets. The custodial staff should not empty trash cans or waste baskets that contain significant amounts of recyclable material and will notify the City Manager's Office of any location where this is observed. Proper training and information can be provided on recycling.

B) Responsibilities

1. All employees and those persons using city facilities are required to recycle as set out in this policy and Chapter 12 of the City Ordinance. Each employee shall have two (2) trash cans, one for recycled items and one for trash.
2. All recyclable materials shall be placed in the appropriate containers.
3. The City Manager's Office will coordinate with Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency (IVRMA) staff or City Environmental Compliance staff, to arrange for periodic inspection of centralized trash bins to determine if recyclable materials are being separated from the trash.
4. All of the following material generated by city employees shall be recycled: mixed paper (white, colored, newspaper, envelopes, telephone books, catalogs, magazines), and cardboard.

5. Each department should make it convenient to recycle paper and cardboard at employee’s desks or work space. This will be accomplished by using a separate recycling container near the desk for these items. Custodial staff will collect paper and cardboard at desk or employees can empty their bin into the centralized recycling containers.

SECTION 7. HAZARDOUS WASTE

1. All City of El Centro departments shall properly dispose of hazardous waste. These items include but are not limited to: fluorescent light bulbs, paints, solvents, pesticides, acids, items containing mercury or Freon, and automotive products (motor oil, oil filters and antifreeze). For a more complete list of hazardous wastes, contact the IVRMA staff or log onto the IVRMA website: www.IVRMA.org

2. Hazardous waste can be taken to the Hazardous Waste Collection Facility at 702 East Heil in El Centro. The facility is open every Saturday from 8am to noon. The City must call 1-877-RECYCLE to make an appointment.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE OF POLICY

This Policy shall go into effect immediately.