CITY OF TEMECULA AGENDA REPORT

TO: City Manager/City Council

FROM: Patrick Thomas, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

DATE: October 27, 2020

SUBJECT: Introduce Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.20 of the Municipal Code to Include Provisions Regarding Recyclables and Organics Collection

PREPARED BY: Julie Tarrant, Principal Management Analyst

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council introduce and read by title only an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA AMENDING CHAPTER 8.20 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS REGARDING RECYCLABLES AND ORGANICS COLLECTION

SUMMARY OF

ORDINANCE: An Amendment to Chapter 8.20 of the Temecula Municipal Code to include provisions for mandated commercial recycling and commercial organics recycling, in accordance with State of California AB341 and AB1826.

BACKGROUND: The City of Temecula is subject to various State mandates instituted for the purposes of achieving landfill diversion. The State of California has targeted landfills as a key source of greenhouse gas emissions, and the State has passed a series of laws aimed at reducing the quantity of waste being sent to landfills. In 2011 the State passed AB341, Mandatory Commercial Recycling, which mandated commercial recycling, and in 2014 the State passed AB1826, which mandated commercial organics recycling.

On an annual basis, CalRecycle, a division of the California Environmental Protection Agency, performs a review of local jurisdictions' progress in achieving compliance with AB341 and AB1826. Over the past several months, Public Works staff has been working with CalRecycle, CR & R, our waste hauler franchisee, and the City's legal counsel to improve compliance with both the multi-family residential and commercial businesses located within the City. In an effort to address certain compliance measures and to codify the mandated commercial recycling laws in the Municipal Code, staff hereby recommends City Council approve and adopt the ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance