RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes _ No X)
Resolution approving and authorization for the Public Works Director to execute an agreement with Hilton, Farnkopf and Hobson, LLC (HF & H) for an independent assessment of solid waste collection rates and appropriate the funds to cover the cost ($35,750) from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies.

The Board's solid waste committee, County Counsel and the Department of Public Works (committee) have been negotiating a franchise agreement with Mariposa County Total Waste Systems, Inc. (TWS). If adopted, one of the key elements of the franchise agreement is the establishment of equitable rates by the Board for the collection service customers (refer to separate agenda item on this subject). HF & H is a firm well recognized in the solid waste industry for providing this type of service to municipalities. HF & H has provided this service to other clients for companies owned by Mr. James Ratto, President of TWS.

TWS is aware of the committee's desire for the rate assessment and has expressed no objection for its completion.

The committee recommends that payment for this assessment come from the general fund, rather than burdening the rate payers with this added expense.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
N/A

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
1) Do not approve the rate assessment which could result in solid waste collection customers paying an incorrect amount.
2) Approve the rate assessment but direct its payment to be made from the solid waste enterprise budget which could result in increased tipping fees.

COSTS: ( ) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY> $ -0-
B. Total anticipated Costs> $35,750
C. Required additional funding> $35,750
D. Internal transfers> $ ______________

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

1. Budget Action Form (1 pg)
2. Proposal (58 pp)

Balance in Reserve Contingencies, If Approved:
$35,750

CLERK'S USE ONLY
Res. No.: 02098 Ord. No.: ___________
Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes:___________
Absent: _______ Abstained: _______
☐ Approved  ☐ Denied
☐ Minute Order Attached  ☐ No Action Necessary
The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office
Date: __________
ATTEST:
MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
By: __________
Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:
_________ Recommended
_________ Not Recommended
_________ For Policy Determination
_________ Submitted With Comment
_________ Returned for Further Action
Comment: ___________________________

C.A.O. Initials: ______________________
# BUDGET ACTION FORM

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**TOTAL**

|      |          |          |                 |         | 35,750    | 35,750   |

**ACTION REQUESTED:** (Check all that apply)

- (x) Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;
- () Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

**JUSTIFICATION:** See attached Board item. Adjusts accounts to provide General Fund Dollars for Trash Hauling Rate Study

**DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE**

**APPROVED BY RES NO.**

**CLERK**

**AUDITOR'S USE ONLY**

**SOLID WASTE**

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