RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2016-216

MEETING: May 3, 2016

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tony Stobbe, Public Works Director

RE: Authority to Waive Solid Waste Fees

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Authorize the Public Works Director to Waive Solid Waste Fees Up to a Maximum of $500 for Community and Non-Profit Events.

From time to time the Department receives requests from local Community and Non-Profit Organizations to waive Solid Waste Fees associated with their community events. The most recent request is from Special Olympics Northern California and the host team the Mariposa Miners, Mariposa County’s Special Olympics team. The Mariposa Miners will host the Regional Track and Field event on May 7, 2016 and have requested reduction or waiver of tipping fees for disposal of waste collected during the event.

While the ability of the County to contribute financially to these events is limited, granting the Director of Public Works the authority to waive Solid Waste fees would clearly serve the public benefit by encouraging robust waste collection at these events while also allowing event organizers to focus limited resources for maximum effect.

Requests for such waivers would be submitted in writing to the Director of Public Works and would typically be limited to one event per organization per calendar year.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board has routinely waived fees for non-profit community based events in the past.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The Board may chose to not waive fees for such events, could choose to require that waivers be approved at the Board level, or provide alternate direction.

ATTACHMENTS:
Special Olympics  (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson
Mary Hodson, CAO 4/27/2016

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier
April, 2016

Open Letter of Request for donations or services:

Special Olympics Northern California provides athletic opportunities to children and adults with intellectual disabilities, instilling the confidence they need to succeed in life. Special Olympics relies on the generosity of community donations and corporate sponsorships. Together we are changing the lives of thousands of Northern California Special Olympics athletes.

On Saturday, May 7th, 2016 the Mariposa Miners, Mariposa County’s Special Olympics team will, for the first time, host the Regional Track and Field meet. Scores from this meet will determine the athlete’s divisions in the State Games this June at UC Davis. At the Regional meet we are expecting approximately 100 +/- athletes and over 100 volunteers. Participants of the Regional games include athletes from Mariposa, Merced and Stanislaus Counties.

We are reaching out to our local merchants/organizations for a hand in helping us make this a memorable event for our athletes. Your business name would appear in our list of community sponsors. All donations are tax-deductible.

Special Olympics Northern California is a 501©3 non-profit registered in California. Federal Tax ID can be provided as needed.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. We sincerely hope that you will join hands with us in our mission allowing adults and children with disabilities the opportunity to experience the thrill and joys of track and field, while we also promote better health.

Sincerely,

Daniel B Silva
Representative for Mariposa Miners