

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY NOT TO ISSUE ITS PROPOSED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO ENTITIES INTERESTED IN SUPPLYING SOLID WASTE MATERIAL SUITABLE AS SUPPLEMENTARY FUEL FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY #2 WITHOUT MORE CLARITY AS TO THE GOALS SOUGHT TO BE ACHIEVED CONTRASTED WITH THE POTENTIAL NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON PALM BEACH COUNTY; AND WITHOUT SPECIFICALLY LIMITING THE TYPES OF WASTE SUITABLE FOR IMPORT IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND PROVIDING AN EQUITABLE RATE STRUCTURE FOR IMPORTERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, several members of the Board of Directors of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc. attended the Solid Waste Authority's ("SWA") meeting held on April 9, 2014, along with numerous other citizens residing in Palm Beach County (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, at that meeting, the SWA voted four to three (4-3) to authorize its staff to prepare a request for proposals ("RFP") to be published which would entertain proposals from entities that were interest in supplying solid waste materials as supplementary fuel for renewable facility #2 (importing waste materials from outside the County) even in view of the fact that the overwhelming majority of individuals speaking on the issue voiced their opposition (19 individuals representing thousands of people in the County spoke on the topic and only one, an attorney representing Sun Recycling, spoke in favor of the proposal); and

WHEREAS, the SWA asked staff to present its RFP at the June 11, 2014 SWA meeting so that the language could be more carefully considered in view of a sharply divided commission and in view of the numerous speakers voicing opposition; and

WHEREAS, although there may be a savings realized for individual taxpayers through this proposed endeavor, it would appear that such savings, while laudable, may be actually de minimus when compared to the negative impacts on the County including, but not limited to diminished capacity in the landfill for County taxpayers, air quality, environmental effects, damage to infrastructure and other numerous but perhaps unknown adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of the SWA have the ability to control the RFP, if any, and to determine the specific types of waste materials that the County will allow to be imported, if any, and the rates to be paid by the importers; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc. believes that the current proposal for the issuance of an RFP to entities interested in importing waste to the County to entities interested in supplying solid waste material

suitable as supplementary fuel for renewable energy facility #2 without restrictions on the exact types of waste material allowed and without an equitable rate schedule for importers is not in the best interests of the citizens of Palm Beach County and needs further study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC., THAT:

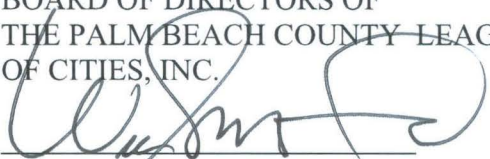
SECTION 1: The Board of Directors of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc. (the "Board") hereby urges the SWA not to issue its proposed Request for Proposals to entities interested in supplying solid waste material suitable as supplementary fuel for renewable energy facility #2 without more clarity as to the goals sought to be achieved contrasted with the negative impacts on Palm Beach County; and without specifically limiting the types of waste suitable for import and setting an equitable rate structure for importers.

SECTION 2: The Board hereby requests that this resolution be sent to each member of the Board of the SWA as well as to THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MARK HAMMOND.

SECTION 3: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of Directors of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14TH day of May, 2014.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE
OF CITIES, INC.



Scott Maxwell, President
(SEAL)

ATTEST:



Mo Thornton, Secretary/Treasurer