

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 73968 C. M. S.

REVISED

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTING INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
POLICIES FOR THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that population levels of certain plants, insects, plant pathogens, vertebrates, and other pests may create a nuisance or threaten the public health and safety, and therefore need to be controlled; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the use of pesticides can present a potential hazard to the citizens of Oakland, City staff and the environment, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That City departments shall, to the fullest extent possible, adopt and implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) techniques and methods as standard operating procedures to manage pest problems; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That, effective January 1, 1998, pesticides shall not be used in or on City owned property or facilities, except as specifically exempted by this resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the only exemptions to the ban on pesticides established herein are as follows:

1. In those instances where the use of pesticides is required to preserve and/or protect human health and safety;
2. The use of swimming pool chemicals, disinfectants, and other antimicrobials;
3. The use of pesticidal soaps, insect growth regulators, microbials, botanicals, synthetic pyrethroids, horticultural oils, and insecticidal bait stations;
4. At municipal golf courses (signage shall be provided warning golfers of the pesticides used, the location, and date of application);
5. At municipal putting and lawn bowling greens (with signage as per 4. above);
6. At the Morcom Rose Garden (with signage as per 4. above);
7. For weed control in the construction of new landscaping and ballfields (with signage as per 4. above);
8. In sports fields, to control gophers, moles, and ground squirrels;
9. In the Oakland Museum of California, to protect museum artifacts, artworks, and collections;

- 10. Around fire hydrants in selected areas where weed growth threatens to obscure them;
- 11. On public streets and rights-of-way maintained by the Public Works Agency; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That exemption 1 above shall only apply to situations that conform to guidelines established by the Alameda County Health Agency, and that herbicide usage is not exempted by exemption 6 above; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That when the use of any pesticide is determined to be necessary, the least hazardous effective available pesticide will be used; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That category 1 pesticides shall not be used on any City property except for the use of aluminum phosphide on sports fields for vertebrate control; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That only pesticides that are approved and registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and by the State of California will be used; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That if contractors are used to apply pesticides, they must be licensed by the State of California as Pest Control Operators; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That public notification of pesticide use be done through signage of areas being treated, marker dyes in sprays, and public education programs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That City employees are not to bring pesticides from home for use on City property. This includes pesticides that are packaged for home use; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That each City agency have a person designated to be responsible for coordinating pest control issues; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Citizens' IPM Advisory Committee shall continue to advise the City Council on pest control practices.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, DEC 16 1997, 19

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BRUNNER, CHANG, DE LA FUENTE, MILEY, NADEL, REID, RUSSO, SPEES AND
PRESIDENT HARRIS - 9

NOES- *None*

ABSENT- *None*

ABSTENTION- *None*

ATTEST: *Ceda Floyd*
CEDA FLOYD
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California