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___

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
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California