



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Solid Waste Management Division

MINUTES
ZERO WASTE COMMISSION
Monday, June 25, 2012
North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Avenue
Workshop Room B, 1st floor

Chair Kalil called the meeting to order with a quorum at 7:10 PM

1. Roll Call:

Commissioners present: Kalil, Kirkpatrick, Halperin, Tam

Commissioners absent: Bartlett (Excused), Schultze-Allen (Excused)

Staff: Andy Schneider – Recycling Program Manager

Members of the Public: Jeff Belchamber and Sara MacKusick of Community Conservation Center (CCC); Daniel Maher & Martin Bourque of Ecology Center; Miguel Martinez, Solid Waste Worker; Shannon Davis, student; Steen Jensen, Lily Smith

2. Approve Agenda:

Halperin requested that Routing Update be added to Division Update. M/S/C Kirkpatrick/Halperin to approve amended agenda 4/0/0

3. Comments from the Public:

Lily Smith introduced herself and her work assisting CCC with their public program outreach. Martin Bourque announced the CRRA Conference in Oakland Aug 6-8 where Berkeley will be presenting our suite of diversion programs.

4. Announcements and Commissioner Comments:

Kalil thanked Andy Schneider and Martin Bourque for participating in the Future of Recycling in Berkeley event on June 7th which was co-sponsored by the Ecology Center and the Zero Waste Commission.

Kirkpatrick announced she will be leaving her position as Councilmember Wozniak's aide to attend graduate school and is considering if she will continue as Councilmember Capitelli's ZWC appointee.

5. Approve Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2012:

Kalil requested details discussed on #6 All-retail Bag Ordinance be reflected, and to fully identify the Strategic Plan chapter assignments in #7. Kalil requested that EC's routing concerns be better reflected. Tam identified an adjournment vote inaccuracy.

M/S/C Halperin/Kirkpatrick to approve amended May 21, 2012 minutes 4/0/0

Reordering of agenda, moving #6 CCC Update to after #8 Division Update, to allow more time for CCC presentation set-up: M/S/C Halperin/Kirkpatrick to reorder agenda 4/0/0

6. Strategic Plan Update:

Kalil reported on the collaboration between the ZWC and the Office of Energy and Sustainable. Kalil also stated the need for refuse fund budget details including all positions funded by the refuse fund.

7. Division Update:

a) **Bag Ordinance Update:** Schneider updated the Commission on the status of the Commission Report for the All-retail Bag Ordinance and confirmed that it, and the staff report, have been added to the Council agenda for July 24th. The additional all-retail bag ordinance action item for June 26th was also discussed.

b) **Mandatory Recycling Update:** Schneider reported on the recent progress on the Mandatory Recycling Ordinance implementation. Waste Authority web link and sample mailed outreach was shared.

c) **Routing Update:** Schneider reported that the residential re-route has been pushed to October. Commercial recycling routes have been reviewed for service day consolidation. Martin Bourque reported on his concerns that the new routing will have on Ecology Center's routing.

8. CCC: Plastics, Drop-off & MRF Update:

Jeff Belchamber presented a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation on CCC's programs with their progress on processing improvements at the MRF and expand materials acceptance including rigid plastics. He reported that their StopWaste Grant and CCC funded container line upgrade is scheduled for July 27th and will improve CCC's ability to capture more color sorted glass and will also accommodate the sorting of non-bottle plastics.

Motion to extend the meeting to 9:15: M/S/C Kalil/Kirkpatrick to extend meeting 4/0/0

10. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates: Additional plastics discussion

11. Adjourn: M/S/C Kirkpatrick/Halperin to adjourn at 9:15 4/0/0