#### **APPROVED**

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND ALAMEDA COUNTY RECYCLING BOARD

**Thursday, July 13, 2023** 

6:00 P.M.

# IN PERSON MEETING LOCATION: LOCAL ECOLOGY & AGRICULTURE FREMONT (LEAF) C.R. STONE GARDEN 55 MOWRY AVE, FREMONT, CA

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

President McKaughan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Justin Lehrer explained the meeting process being utilized during the meeting. A link to the process is available here: <u>Virtual-Meetings-Instructions</u>.

#### II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Eric Havel, Environmental Educator
Mike Hannon, ACWMA (interim)
Tracy Jensen, ACWMA
David Mourra, ACWMA
Jeff Wang, ACWMA
Grace Liao, Source Reduction Specialist
Laura McKaughan, Recycling Materials Processing Industry (President)
Fred Simon, ACWMA
Talia Wise, Solid Waste Industry Representative

### Absent:

Darby Hoover, Environmental Organization Chiman Lee, Recycling Programs

#### **Staff Present:**

Justin Lehrer, Operations Manager
Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board
Trevor Probert, Program Manager
Jeannie Pham, Program Manager
Hugo Gregoire, Program Services Specialist
Farand Kan, Deputy County Counsel

#### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

President McKaughan welcomed everyone to the tour and welcomed Board member Wang as the new WMA appointee to the Recycling Board. President McKaughan thanked Mayor Hannon for attending the meeting.

#### IV. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

## V. Overview of Local Ecology & Agriculture Fremont (LEAF) C.R. Stone Garden

StopWaste staff Trevor Probert and Hugo Gregoire introduced staff from LEAF (Local Ecology and Agriculture Fremont) - Elaine Oyang and Mayank Malik, as well as staff from Tri-City Food Bank - Kellie Barron, Program Manager, and Jim Doehne, Warehouse Manager. LEAF and StopWaste have worked together for over 10 years. LEAF provides unique educational programming and services within Fremont and has collaborated with StopWaste developing educational outreach on composting, growing food, and waste reduction.

Tri-City Volunteers Food Bank (TCV) has been a longtime partner and a food waste prevention & recovery awardee for multiple projects. TCV Food Bank provides emergency grocery assistance to up to 13,000 individuals in Alameda County every month and created a client-choice model as early as 2016. LEAF grows fresh produce for donation, and TCV Food Bank is one of the recipients to distribute it to their clients.

## VI. Tour:

# **Garden site tour – LEAF (Local Ecology & Agriculture Fremont)**

This item is for information only.

LEAF staff provided a tour of the gardens.

### VII. MEMBER COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

President McKaughan thanked LEAF President Elaine Owyang and CTO Mayank Malik for their community work, long term partnership, and for hosting the Recycling Board meeting.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT – TO AUGUST 10, 2023 AT 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.