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**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE  
ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WMA) BOARD,  
THE ENERGY COUNCIL (EC),  
AND THE SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING BOARD (RB)**

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019**

**3:00 P.M.**

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San Jose, CA 95113  
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Sacramento, CA 95814  
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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Dave Sadoff, WMA, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE**

City of Alameda	Jim Oddie, WMA, EC, RB
City of Albany	Rochelle Nason, WMA, EC
County of Alameda	Scott Haggerty, WMA, EC
City of Berkeley	Susan Wengraf, WMA, EC
Castro Valley Sanitary District	Dave Sadoff, WMA, RB
City of Dublin	Melissa Hernandez, WMA, EC (teleconference)
City of Emeryville	Ally Medina, WMA, EC
City of Fremont	Jenny Kassan, WMA, EC
City of Hayward	Francisco Zermeño, WMA, EC, RB
City of Livermore	Bob Carling, WMA, EC
City of Newark	Mike Hannon, WMA, EC
City of Oakland	Dan Kalb, WMA, EC
Oro Loma Sanitary District	Shelia Young, WMA
City of Piedmont	Tim Rood, WMA, EC (teleconference)

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City of Pleasanton	Jerry Pentin, WMA, EC
City of San Leandro	Deborah Cox, WMA, EC, RB
City of Union City	Jamie Patiño, WMA, EC
Environmental Educator	Nancy Deming, RB
Recycling Materials Processing Industry	Bernie Camara, RB
Recycling Programs	Jillian Buckholz, RB
Solid Waste Industry Representative	Tianna Nourot, RB (teleconference)

### **Absent:**

Source Reduction Specialist	Sarah Vared, RB
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### **Others Participating:**

AR Boone

### **Staff Participating:**

Wendy Sommer, Executive Director  
Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director  
Richard Taylor, WMA Legal Counsel  
Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

## **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENTS**

There were none.

## **IV. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR**

Arthur Boone provided public comment on his opposition to the Davis Street OMRF and his opposition to mixed waste processing of materials. Mr. Boone distributed a handout (attached).

## **V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Approval of the Draft WMA/EC Minutes of March 27, 2019 (Wendy Sommer)**
- 2. Approval of the Draft PC/RB Minutes of March 14, 2019 (Jeff Becerra)**
- 3. Recycling Board Attendance Record (Jeff Becerra)**
- 4. Written Report of Ex Parte Communications (Jeff Becerra)**

There were no public comments for the Consent Calendar. Board member Young made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board member Hannon seconded and the motion carried by the following vote count: WMA/EC 19-0: PC/RB 8-0:

(Ayes: Buckholz, Camara, Carling, Cox, Deming, Haggerty, Hannon, Hernandez, Kalb, Kassan, Nason, Nourot, Oddie, Patiño, Pentin, Rood, Sadoff, Wengraf, Young, Zermeño; Nays: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Medina, Vared).

## **VI. REGULAR CALENDAR**

- 1. Draft FY 2019-20 Budget Presentation (Wendy Sommer & Pat Cabrera)**  
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(Ally Medina, alternate for the City of Emeryville, arrived during the presentation). Wendy Sommer provided an overview of the agency's goals and accomplishments, most essential services, as well as highlights of program activities. The WMA and Energy Council will be asked to consider adopting their Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget at the May 22 meeting, and the Recycling Board at the June 13 meeting. Pat Cabrera provided an overview of the agency's financial activities. A link to the staff report and the budget presentation is available here: [FY19-20 Budget-Presentation.pdf](#). A link to the FY 2019-2020 budget is available here: [FY19-20-Budget.pdf](#).

Ms. Sommer reminded the Board that the Business Recognition Awards will be held at the May 22 WMA/EC Board meeting. The agency received 14 nominations and six businesses were selected and will be recognized at the event. The awardees are: Semifreddi's Bakery and Honolulu's Barbeque, Alameda; Urban Bloc, San Leandro; Isla Restaurant, Newark; Sodexo, Fremont; and Vericool, Livermore. Ms. Sommer also announced that the grant funding round for FY 18-19 is now open and Board members should have received an email notification from the Clerk of the Board, Arliss Dunn. Ms. Sommer displayed a visual of the updates to the website. Most notably, the Board information page is now a full-service landing page with easy access to agendas and minutes as well as the E-News and Topic Briefs. Ms. Sommer recognized agency staff for their efforts in producing the budget.

Board member Hannon commended staff for a great job on the project descriptions and inquired if there is a summary of specific performance targets for each of the project activities. Ms. Sommer stated that each project lead has a goal with regard to specific targets that they want to meet, e.g. 1,000 technical assistant engagements, etc. Board member Hannon inquired if the FY 18-19 activities that were not accomplished are encapsulated in the FY 19-20 activities. Ms. Sommer stated yes, any prior year activities that were not realized are moved to FY 19-20. President Sadoff stated with respect to single use bags that the data indicates that half of the inspections received violations and inquired if there is a specific sector that is not complying with the ordinance. Elise Lebsack stated that they are finding that the compliance rate is fairly similar between retail and restaurants, however there is a 10% higher rate among restaurants, but the violations are evenly matched. Board member Kalb stated that there is a noticeable increase in vendors using the heavier plastic bags and inquired if we are messaging to retailers to offer paper or cloth bags and not the plastic bags. Ms. Lebsack stated that when the Outreach Assistant engages with the restaurants in person we are encouraging them to use paper bags because they are not charging the customer a fee for the bag and the paper bags can be composted. However, technically, under the ordinance, both and paper and plastic are allowed. Ms. Sommer stated unfortunately there are unintended consequences as there will be with a single-use plastic ordinance. President Sadoff thanked staff for a great presentation.

### **2. Interim appointment(s) to the Recycling Board for WMA appointee unable to attend future Board Meeting(s) (Wendy Sommer)**

Planning Committee and Recycling Board meeting, Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm, Castro Valley Public Library, 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley, CA 94546.

There were no requests for an interim appointment.

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

Board member Zermeño notified the Board that he would be unable to attend the July 24 WMA/EC meeting and the August 8 PC/RB meeting and asked for an interim appointment for the PC/RB meeting. Ms. Sommer informed Board member Zermeño that he would be able to request an interim appointment for the PC/RB meeting at the June WMA/EC meeting. President Sadoff announced that earlier this month, the Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan) was honored to receive the California

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Water Environment Association (CWEA)'s 2018 Collection System of the Year Award for the State of California's Small Collection System Category. Ms. Sommer reminded the Board of the vacancy on the recycling board in the category of Environmental Organization. Board members will have a group picture taken at the May 22 WMA/EC meeting and business awards event that will be posted on the StopWaste website.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.