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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WMA) BOARD
AND
ENERGY COUNCIL (EC)**

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

3:00 P.M.

TELECONFERENCE MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Martinez called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Timothy Burroughs explained the process that would be utilized during the meeting. A link to the process is available here: [Virtual-Meetings- Instructions](#)

II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

WMA, EC & RB

County of Alameda

David Haubert, WMA, EC

City of Alameda

Trish Herrera Spencer, WMA, EC

City of Albany

Preston Jordan, WMA, EC

City of Berkeley

Susan Wengraf, WMA, EC

Castro Valley Sanitary District

Dave Sadoff, WMA

City of Dublin

Melissa Hernandez, WMA, EC

City of Emeryville

Dianne Martinez, WMA, EC (President)

City of Fremont

Jenny Kassan, WMA, EC

City of Hayward

Francisco Zermeño, WMA, EC

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

Jen Cavanaugh, WMA, EC

City of Pleasanton

Jack Balch, WMA, EC (EC President)

City of Union City

Jaime Patiño, WMA, EC

Absent

City of San Leandro

Deborah Cox, WMA, EC

Staff Participating

Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director

Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director

Alma Freeman, Communications Manager

Justin Lehrer, Operations Manager

Kelly Schoonmaker, Program Manager

Jennifer West, Program Manager

Ben Cooper, Program Manager

Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

Adrienne Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board

Richard Taylor, WMA Legal Counsel

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Others Participating

Priscilla Quiroz, Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

Joe Paulo, Paulo Farms

Tom Kelly, KyotoUSA

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENTS

There were none.

IV. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

Tom Kelly, KyotoUSA, provided public comment regarding a letter that he submitted to the East Bay Community Energy Board of Directors. The letter expresses his concern about the greenhouse gas emissions performance of EBCE's default product, which is called Bright Choice. Ms. Dunn informed the Board that staff would send a copy of the letter to the Board after the meeting. There were no additional public comments.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Approval of the Draft WMA & EC Minutes of June 22, 2022**
2. **Resolution regarding meeting via teleconference to promote social distancing, pursuant to AB 361**
Adopt Resolution WMA# 2022-11.
3. **Resolution regarding meeting via teleconference to promote social distancing, pursuant to AB 361**
Adopt Resolution EC# 2022-10.

There were no public comments for the Consent Calendar. Board member Haubert moved approval of the Consent Calendar and Board member Zermeño seconded. The motion carried 18-0 (WMA) and 18-0 (EC): The Clerk called the roll:

(Ayes: Balch, Carling, Cavanaugh, Hannon, Haubert, Hernandez, Jordan, Kalb, Kassan, Martinez, Sadoff, Spencer, Wengraf, Young, Zermeño. Nays: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Cox, Patiño)

VI. REGULAR CALENDAR

1. Altamont Property History and Revenue Summary (Kelly Schoonmaker)

This item is for information only.

Timothy Burroughs introduced the item and Kelly Schoonmaker provided an overview of the staff report and presented a PowerPoint presentation. A link to the report and the presentation is available here:

[Altamont-Property-memo.pdf](#)

Additional time was provided to the Board for discussion and clarifying questions. An audio link to the discussion is available here: [Altamont-Property-Discussion](#)

The Board thanked Ms. Schoonmaker for the presentation and her management and oversight of the property. The Board asked questions about and discussed the purpose of the property, its relevance to the Agency's mission, and revenues and expenditures associated with the property. The Board stated appreciation for the Agency's efforts to maintain the property. Board members noted its benefits related to potential future landfill capacity, revenue-generation for the Agency, partnerships with other agencies, carbon farming, and other current and potential future benefits. The Board also emphasized the importance of continually being strategic and forward-thinking regarding the role the property plays in meeting the Agency's policy goals. There were no public comments on this item.

2. Legislative Update on SB 54 – The Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act (Jennifer West)

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Timothy Burroughs introduced the item and Jennifer West provided an overview of the staff report and presented a PowerPoint presentation, which focused on information on SB 54 – the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act. A link to the report and the presentation is available here: [Legislative-Update-memo.pdf](#)

Additional time was provided to the Board for discussion and clarifying questions. An audio link to the presentation is available here: [Legislative-Update-Discussion](#).

The Board thanked Ms. West for the presentation. Board member Kalb stated that he is looking forward to the development of the model ordinance to ban single use food ware. Board member Hannon asked that staff provide any information on possible costs that may be incurred by local jurisdictions associated with SB 54 implementation. Tom Kelly provided public comment. Mr. Kelly commented that for many years he has been picking up trash in the bay and the marshlands and most of the trash is composed of plastic materials.

3. Interim appointment(s) to the Recycling Board for WMA appointee unable to attend future Board Meeting(s) (Arless Dunn) (WMA only)

(The Planning Committee and Recycling Board meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The meetings will be held via teleconference)

Board member Carling requested an interim appointment for the August 11 PC&RB meeting and Board member Young volunteered to attend as the interim appointment. Board members Carling and Kalb requested interim appointments for the September 8 PC&RB meeting and Board members Young and Jordan volunteered to attend as the interim appointments. Board member Balch moved to approve the appointments and President Martinez seconded. The motion carried 17-0. The Clerk called the roll: (Ayes: Balch, Carling, Cavanaugh, Hannon, Haubert, Jordan, Kalb, Kassan, Martinez, Patiño, Spencer, Wengraf, Young, Zermeño. Nays: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Cox, Hernandez, Sadoff)

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Timothy Burroughs announced that the GFOA (Government Finance Officers Association) awarded StopWaste with a certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting for the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the period ending fiscal year 2021. This is the highest award bestowed for government finance accounting. Mr. Burroughs recognized Jennifer Luong, Finance Services Manager, and the accounting team for their excellent work.

The monthly topic brief for July summarizes SB 54, available here [SB-54.pdf](#). The next HHW (Household Hazardous Waste) drop-off event will be held in Alameda on August 28. Staff will provide further information on the event.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – to September 28, 2022 at 3:00 P.M.

The meeting adjourned 4:44 p.m.