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

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

3:00 P.M.

TELECONFERENCE MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER
President Young 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
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 Fremont Jenny Kassan, WMA, EC
City of Emeryville Dianne Martinez, WMA, EC
City of Hayward Sara Lamnin, WMA, EC (alternate)
City of Livermore Bob Carling, WMA, EC
City of Newark Mike Hannon, WMA, EC
City of Oakland Dan Kalb, WMA, EC (President)
Oro Loma Sanitary District Shelia Young, WMA (President)
City of Piedmont Jen Cavenaugh, WMA, EC
City of Pleasanton Valerie Arkin, WMA, EC (alternate)
City of San Leandro Deborah Cox, WMA, EC
City of Union City Jaime Patiño, WMA, EC

Absent:
County of Alameda David Haubert, WMA, EC

Staff Participating
Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director
Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director
Justin Lehrer, Operations Manager
Rachel Balsley, Senior Program Manager
Karen Kho, Principal Program Manager
Meri Soll, Senior Program Manager
Emily Alvarez, Program Manager
Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board
Adrienne Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
Richard Taylor, WMA Legal Counsel
III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENTS
President Young stated that this was her first meeting as President of the WMA Board and thanked the Board for electing her to serve.

IV. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR
There was none.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR
1. Approval of the Draft WMA & EC Minutes of June 23, 2021 (Timothy Burroughs)

2. Adoption of Ordinance 2021-02: Organics Reduction and Recycling Ordinance (Timothy Burroughs & Rachel Balsley)
   That the WMA Board (1) adopt the attached Organics Reduction and Recycling Ordinance and repeal the existing Mandatory Recycling Ordinance effective January 1, 2022 and (2) authorize the Executive Director to enter agreements with member agencies accepting their designation of the WMA as an Enforcement Agency for ORRO within their jurisdictions.

Clerk Arliss Dunn read into the record a public comment received via the public comment email portal. Brian Sano, member of the public and advocate and employee of Compology, submitted a comment urging the Agency to consider applying for a grant program offered by Compology to test the recent advancements in waste metering technology. A copy of the email is attached. There were no other public comments.

Board member Sadoff made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board member Kalb seconded, and the motion carried 18-0: The Clerk called the roll:

VI. REGULAR CALENDAR
1. Update on Recycling Market Development Zone Countywide Expansion (Timothy Burroughs, Emily Alvarez & Meri Soll)
   This item is for information only.

Timothy Burroughs and Meri Soll provided an overview of the staff report and presented a PowerPoint presentation. A link to the report and the presentation is available here: RMDZ-Memo.pdf

Additional time was provided for board members to ask clarifying questions. A link to the discussion is available here: RMDZ-Discussion. There were no public comments on this item.

Mr. Burroughs informed the board that staff will come back in the fourth quarter of the calendar year for the Board to consider approval of an application to CalRecycle to formally expand the Recycling Market Development Zone countywide. President Young thanked staff for the presentation.

2. Interim appointment(s) to the Recycling Board for WMA appointee unable to attend future Board Meeting(s) (Arliss Dunn) (WMA only)
   (Planning Committee and Recycling Board meeting, Thursday, August 12 at 4:00 p.m. and September 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meetings will be held via teleconference)

Board member Sadoff requested an interim appointment for the August 12 meeting. President Young
volunteered to attend as the interim appointment. Board member Hannon made the motion to approve the interim appointment and Board member Lamnin seconded. The motion carried 18-0. The Clerk called the roll:

3. BayREN 2020-22 Contract Amendment #3 for Heat Pump Water Heater Program and Other Services (Karen Kho) (EC only)
   Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract amendment for Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) services and other related actions.

EC President Kalb chaired the item. Karen Kho provided an overview of the staff report. A link to the report is available here: BayREN-Amendment-2020-22.pdf

Additional time was provided for board members to ask clarifying questions. A link to the discussion is available here: BayREN-Discussion. There were no public comments on this item.

Board member Jordan made the motion to approve the staff recommendation and Board member Cox seconded. The motion carried 18-0. The Clerk called the roll:

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
President Young recognized Sara Lamnin, alternate for the City of Hayward, and Valerie Arkin, alternate for the City of Pleasanton. Board member Cavenaugh provided a report on a circular economy course that she attended at UC Berkeley Extension. Board member Cavenaugh thanked the Agency for allocating funding for board members to attend trainings and conferences and encouraged board members to avail themselves of these opportunities.

Timothy Burroughs reminded the Board that the Agency provides funding in the budget to reimburse board members for workshops and trainings.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 4:13 p.m.
Dear StopWaste Board and Committee Members,

I believe StopWaste should look into the recent advancements of Compology’s waste metering technology to address SB1383 and the environmental impact they have on diversion.

Recently, Carol Browner, the former EPA Administrator under President Clinton and assistant to President Obama as the Director of White House Office of Energy and Climate Change policy joined Compology as an advisor.

She said, “As we work to address climate change and build more sustainable companies, proper measurement of waste products and ensuring efficient collection is important.” She went on to say, “I'm impressed by the market-leading technology and processes Compology developed for commercial use, and I'm eager to help them make it the standard in the United States.”

Compology is a certified B Corp company and was recently recognized by Berg Insight Group as the world’s leading smart waste sensor company.

They have a grant program to improve our “city’s recycling and diversion, reduce its carbon footprint and save 30% on hauling costs.” https://compology.com/city-grant/. I urge you to consider applying for this free grant to test the recent advancements in waste metering technology.

Thank you,
Brian Sano
Member of the Public
Advocate and employee of Compology

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