



Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force (AVIDTF)

Meeting Summary of December 7, 2016

Fire Station No. 129, Training Center
42210 6th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93534

Attendees:

Christine Borzaga, Supervisor Antonovich's Office
Brian Brown, Resident
Doug Burgis, Quartz Hill Resident
Tiffany Caldwell, Department of Regional Planning
Frank Chin, Department of Public Works
Edgar Dela Torre, Department of Regional Planning
Annamarie, Dyemartin, Littlerock Town Council
Lori Gilroy, AV Youthbuild
Lisa Hemenway, Waste Management, Inc.
Kristin Halloway, City of Palmdale
Eve T. Lopez, Department of Public Works
Ben Lucha, City of Palmdale
Chris Melillo, Department of Public Works
Steve Milewski, Brandon Nelson-Zerrahy, PaintCare
Vickie Rausch, Antelope Valley AQMD
Kerstin Schlegel, Department of Regional Planning
Karen Tandler, District Attorney's Office
Donna Termeer, Supervisor Kathryn Barger's Office
Samantha Zelaya, Supervisor Antonovich's Office

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
Mattress Banner	Paid by AVIDTF
2017 Funding Account	Prepare recommendation for 2017 AVIDTF funding
Vouchers	AVIDTF to be voted on

Pledge of Allegiance

- Everyone stood up and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Self-Introductions

- Self-introductions of all attendees.

Checking Account – Doug Burgis

- Doug Burgis provided the balance in the AVIDTF checking account. The current balance is \$65,302.39.

Illegal Dumping Report – Eve T. Lopez

- Eve Lopez provided statistics for current Illegal Dumping Incident report.

Illegal Dumping Subcommittee Report – Eve Lopez

- Eve Lopez provided summary of the AVIDTF Subcommittee meeting. The following items were discussed:
 - Clean Up activities and outreach efforts
 - 35 vouchers available
 - Oct 15, 22 and 29th mattress events voted to fund and sponsor with MRC

Quarterly Calendar Events for October - December 2016 – Eve T. Lopez

- Eve Lopez announced the events in quarterly calendars for October – December 2016.

Residential Franchise – Steve Milewski

- Steve Milewski introduced Susana Gonzalez, the voice behind the illegal dumping hotline. Susana is also a resident of the Antelope Valley. Christine Borzaga pointed her interested in Susana being an AV resident to fill-in the Co-Chair position for the Task Force.
- Steve provided a presentation on the Residential Franchise. In 1751 Corbin Morris of London, as preservation of health of the people proposed that the cleaning of the city should put under one uniform public management. For hundreds of years, trash has been an issue and people were relying on the government to help them out. The garbage system in the LA County consists of open market similar with AV with no governmental control. GDD has been around for about a hundred year and in 2007 the Residential Franchise started. Open market system has no government involvement, no control over the rates if it goes up, recycling services are not necessarily required, not everybody has a senior discount, they are private companies and they can differ in prices for the same service with your neighbor. Various laws over the years such as how much trash you are supposed to be throwing out were established in 1989, passing out of 50% recycling, recycling of papers and aluminum can, 1826 law for organic/left over food/ paper/grass will have a big impact on the trash

collection system in the future. The County Franchise system provides trash collection for one or more hauler with option of non-exclusive agreements but exclusive agreements tends to have better prices. There is an advantage in the Franchise system for AV area; you can drive around neighborhood to haul trash to the landfill. Private haulers can negotiate with the landfill to lower the gate rate where it's typically \$50/ton since they would bring in trash often, they could lower the price to bring in more business. Horses' manure is also included in the trash collection system in the open market. County Franchise will provide separate bin for manure for AV area, where in the city, trash and manure goes in the same trash bin. Some services are; 2-6 bulky items/year, spring cleaning events in April, mulch and compose give-away, community clean up in local elementary or high school and roll off bins will be provided. Amount of the free mulch is as much as the big semi-truck full of mulch. This will be advertised in the newspaper, flyers, etc. Government does not get involve in cleanup in private property. There is a discount for senior at the age of 62 or older and head of the household, small trash generator for one person, person in financial need with utility discount, hauler will offer to push the bin for those who are disabled or 62yr or older. Rate regulation, WM or open market companies can raise the prices as often as they want. In Government Franchise system, the prices have 36% cap over the 10-year contract and the increments within 10 years are in the cents. Factors that affect the increase for government prices are the landfill disposal fee, cost of living, vehicles fuel. Doug Burgis pays \$102 a month for trash service in AV. County Franchise monitors call log for all activities might come from the residents and response time by the trash companies. Christine Borzaga asked how long is the contract renewal. They are 7 year standard term and 3 one-year or 11 years. The reason for this length is that the waste hauler companies need to buy carts, trucks to replace their equipment. Littlerock rock resident is keeping her recyclable in the shed because they have no pickup for recycling. The resident would take the recycling materials to Allen's Recycling which is now closed. County Franchise system has recycling services available. The resident wants to know if Franchise will be available in the East side area of Littlerock. County Franchise was surveyed before and AV decided not to franchise the area. If the interested is voted to have Franchise, County Residential Franchise will be available to meet the need of the AV residents.

Illegal Dumping - Brian Brown

- Bryan Brown discussed his school brief case study of illegal dumping in Minnesota and made comparison with the local area of Acton. He found several similarities of illegal dumping issues. During his school discussion, students shared interest in finding available benefits for someone to their neighbor's house, improve education and outreach programs, create social accountability between neighbors. He is personally interested in solving illegal dumping in the area. In April 2014, he did a tire roundup and collected over 2000 tires in a random square mile tracks in the desert. Doug Parham allowed piling the tires in his property temporarily until they were picked up.

Paint Care – Brandon Nelson-Zerrahy

- Paint Care is a non-profit organization funded by various paint companies to operate paint programs and manage leftover paint. They are currently partnered with Public Works' Tranette Sanders for Household Hazardous Events. Paint Care is offering collection events free of charge as long as the location is provided. Road Maintenance Division can call Paint Care to dispose paint. Lake LA and AV/Bakersfield Valley is underserved. Paint Care requires a 90-day to request for set/paper work, outreach, etc. Paint care products do not accept industrial paint maintenance products like thinners, spray cans, epoxies and other architectural coatings.

Open Discussion/Public Comment

Next Meeting: March 1, 2017