

Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Minutes of March 18, 2010 Meeting

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Conference Room C
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Betsey Landis, Environmental Organization Representative
Mike Mohajer, General Public Representative
Carlos Ruiz, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Christopher Salomon, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Charles Modica, City of Los Angeles
Gerardo Villalobos, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chuk Agu, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Joe Bartolata, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Russell Bukoff, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Wayde Hunter, North Valley Coalition, Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council
John Kaddis, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health
Julia Lee, Center for Collaborative Policy, California State University Sacramento
Carol Ly, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Corey Mayne, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
David Nguyen, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Mateusz Suska, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:09 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2010

A motion to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2010, meeting, with the following revision, was approved with one abstention (by Mr. Carlos Ruiz):

- **Section IV, Page 4, 2nd Paragraph:** Revise the paragraph to read as “... (1) choose a definition for each term (in the Glossary of Terms) that is clear, concise, and best describes the term for the purpose of the CSE...”

III. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FIVE-YEAR REVIEW REPORT

Mr. Mateusz Suska requested additional comments on the Final Draft Five-Year Review Report (Five-Year Review Report) of the Los Angeles County Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan which was first presented to the Subcommittee on January 21, 2010. Mr. Suska also requested the Subcommittee to recommend to the Task Force to concur with the findings of the Five-Year Review Report.

After some discussion on the Five-Year Review Report, the Subcommittee commended staff on a job well done and made the general comment for staff to review the document for proper formatting and to check grammar before the Report is finalized. Mr. Mike Mohajer commented that he will be contacting staff regarding changes he would like to make to the first paragraph under Conversion Technologies on page 28.

The Subcommittee also made the following specific comments:

- **Agency Overview, Page 3, 2nd Paragraph:** Utilize bold type font in order to make this paragraph stand out.
- **Regulatory Overview, Page 3, 3rd Paragraph, 3rd Sentence:** Revise the paragraph to include the diversion rate for 2008, if available.

- **Alternative Technology Condition, Page 4, 4th Paragraph, 1st Sentence:** Replace the word “have” with “has.”
- **Five-Year Review of the CoIWMP, Page 6, 2nd Paragraph, 1st Sentence:** Revise the phrase “...requires each city and county to review its Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) or the CoIWMP...” to read as :...requires each city and county to review its Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE), and the County to review its CoIWMP...”
- **Section 1.0 County Information, Page 8, Phone Number for Assistant Deputy Director:** Include the phone number for the Assistant Deputy Director upon finalization of the Five-Year Review Report.
- **Section 2.0 Background, Page 9, Last Check Box Item:** Revise the information in this item to clarify that the City of Lakewood is in compliance with State diversion requirements.
- **Analysis, Page 10, 1st Paragraph, 4th Sentence:** Delete the sentence regarding the City of Lakewood.
- **Task Force Member List, Page 12:** Change the word “APPOINTEE” that heads the left hand column to “MEMBER.” Remove the title “Environmental Specialist” from the listing for Mr. Sam Perdomo Under the listing for Ms. Marsha McLean, include mention that she is Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Santa Clarita.
- **Task Force Member List, Page 13:** Under the listings for Mr. Eugene Sun, include mention that he is a Council Member of the City of San Marino.
- **Conversion Technologies, Page 29, 3rd Paragraph:** Change the acronym “CIWMB” to “CalRecycle” in the first sentence of the paragraph and where else it may appear throughout the document. Review the bulleted items listed in the last sentence of the paragraph and only include those items pertaining to State law, not the regulations resulting from law.
- **Electronic and Universal Waste, Page 30, 5th Paragraph:** Add the heading “Product Stewardship” before the fifth paragraph to indicate that the discussion in the next few paragraphs is on product stewardship.

- **Summary Plan, Page 33, 1st Paragraph:** The word “not” on the last line of the paragraph need not be bolded, italicized, or underlined.
- **Appendix A, 1998-2008 Jurisdictional Disposal, Diversion, and Biennial Review Status Table:** Replace the term “Member of a Regional Agency” with Los Angeles Regional Agency (LARA) in the Biennial Review Status Columns of the Appendix for those cities in Los Angeles County which are members of LARA. Include countywide per capita disposal tonnage figures for 2007 and 2008.
- **Appendix L, Solid Waste Franchise Collection Area Map:** Include the date the map was last updated in the legend. Clearly identify the freeways by number, e.g., Interstate 5, in all areas of the map.

In conclusion, the Subcommittee made a motion to recommend to the Task Force to concur with the findings of the Five-Year Review Report with the above revisions. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENT

The Subcommittee commented on the progress of their review of the Los Angeles County Countywide Siting Element (Siting Element) mailed to them in February 2010 and intent to provide staff with comments by April 1, 2010. The Subcommittee noted that there will be a lot of interest and scrutiny on the document and that staff should take that into consideration and present information in the clearest possible way before finalizing the preliminary draft document.

The Subcommittee discussed that it is not necessary to place photographs throughout the Siting Element document but could be included on the front and back covers of the document and perhaps on chapter cover pages. Photographs should depict what solid waste management planning in Los Angeles County is all about. Also, if a table or figure is not clearly legible, then staff should consider whether the table or figure should be removed from the Siting Element or not.

V. NEXT MEETING DATE

To be announced at a later date.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.