

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste
Management Task Force

Minutes of November 16, 2023

Los Angeles County Public Works
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nick Morell, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Dorcas (Dee) Hanson-Lugo, County of Los Angeles Public Health

Mike Mohajer, Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Teri Muse, Waste Management

Kimberly Nilsson, Solid Waste Solutions

Vanessa Olivas, Los Angeles County Public Works

Angela Williams, City of Inglewood

OTHERS PRESENT

Josephine Chen, Los Angeles County Public Works

Darren Kwan, Los Angeles County Public Works

Carol Saucillo, Los Angeles County Public Works

I. CALL TO ORDER

Due to absence of the Chair, Mr. Nick Morell called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 16, MAY 18, AND NOVEMBER 16, 2023, MINUTES

There was no quorum for May and August 2024 Subcommittee meetings, nor for today's meeting. Minutes will be voted upon at the next Subcommittee meeting in February 2024.

III. REVIEW PROPOSED ARTICLES FOR 2023 INSIDE SOLID WASTE – WINTER EDITION

Subcommittee member, Mr. Morell, reviewed the following articles and offered minor edits. The articles were also disseminated to the Subcommittee on November 9, 2023, for review:

- The City of Alhambra Introduces the "Alhambra Recycles" Campaign!
 - Remove the letter "d" in the word franchised in the last sentence of the first paragraph.
 - Add "(see link at the end of the article)" after online game in the last sentence of the third paragraph.
- Updates on the City of Los Angeles' Residential Blue-Bin Recycling Program
 - Replace "in line with the program" with "aligned with the program" in the first sentence of the fourth paragraph.
- Reusable 1 Lb. Propane Cylinders
 - Replace "were granted" with "received a" in the first sentence of the third paragraph.
 - Add "to" after the word "and" towards end of the first sentence in the third paragraph.
- Zero Waste Plan
 - Rearrange last sentence in second paragraph to read "...to maximize natural resource reuse, recover materials for beneficial areas, and ultimately reduce reliance on limited landfill space for disposal."
 - Remove "Being that landfills have limited disposal capacity" and start third paragraph with "It is important that we reduce waste, reuse, and recover materials and resources to the greatest extent possible."

Staff informed Mr. Morell that on November 8, 2023, Mr. Mohajer had a discussion with Mr. Gary Clifford, Athens Services Executive Vice-President, regarding their materials recovery facility that is under construction in the City of Irwindale that will become operational by the year's end, and that Mr. Clifford agreed to submit an article to be published in the Inside Solid Waste Newsletter. Mr. Mohajer requested that staff contact Mr. Clifford in mid-December for follow-up.

IV. CHAIR REPORT ON TASK FORCE ACTION ITEMS

Chair report will be provided at the next Subcommittee meeting in February 2024.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 9 a.m.