

County of Yolo WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

### MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF January 24, 2019

Carol Scianna called the January 24, 2019 meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Those present were:

- <u>Members</u>: Carol Scianna, Larry Fisher, Rosie Ledesma, Christine Crum, Paulina Benner, Michael McDonald, Richard Tsai, Michael Fan, David Powell
- <u>Staff:</u> Ramin Yazdani WAC Liaison, Yolo County DCS, DIWM Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM Rose Cook – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
- <u>Guests:</u> Jennifer Gilbert City of Davis Jennifer Jones - UC Davis Claire Lin - UC Davis Don Kiefer – Waste Management Suzie Dawley – LEA Dotty Pritchard – BOS Sarah Benedict – Recology Johanna Keys – Waste Management Intern William Schoen - Public

Absent: Kayla Rodriguez

# Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

## **Public Comment**

## William Schoen

Resident of Davis and project director at R3 Consulting Group. SB1383 has a significant amount of food recovery requirements which provides a tremendous opportunity to Yolo County has, given where they are at this point. R3 Consulting Group is working on a project with the State of California on the overall food recovery infrastructure in support of SB1383.

We're also assisting the Yolo County Food bank with a plan to procure and distribute an additional 2 million pounds of food. The Food Bank will be taking over a new facility that will give them 50% more capacity.

Yolo County's unique position to not only comply with the food recovery requirements of SB1383 but also achieve 100% food security for all the residents of Yolo County. Something that's never been done before.

I want to recommend or suggest that the County and its Cities tap into their solid waste haulers for the next round of rate adjustments to establish food recovery programs and develop a funding mechanism for the food recovery that SB1383 allows.

## 1. Consent Agenda

#### **Approve Meeting Minutes for December**

MOTION: Christine Crum

SECOND: Paulina Benner

AYES: Larry Fisher, Rosie Ledesma, Michael McDonald, Richard Tsai, Michael Fan, David Powell

## 2. Regular Agenda

## Member Updates-

## Yolo County – Marissa Juhler

- Yolo County had another successful Barn event. This year we've increased to more frequent events and have demonstrated in January that the change to the schedule (Friday and Saturday only) dropping Sundays worked.
- E-Waste follow up for 2018; Davis turned in 2,693 televisions and computer monitors, UC Davis brought in 20, West Sacramento brought in 1,763, Winters brought in 226 and Yolo County brought in 683. Looks comparable to previous years.
- Yolo County's mattress program; Davis brought in 3,490; UC Davis brought in 80, West Sacramento brought in 1,946, Winters brought in 424, Woodland brought in 3,608 and Yolo County brought in 662.
- Rural drip tape and plastic program seems to be working. We had 89 growers that came in and took advantage of this program. Depending on how the National Sword impacts our plastics recyclers the drip tape program may need to be eliminated in 2019. County staff is researching.

## Davis - Richard Tsai

- On February 5<sup>th</sup>, staff will be going to City Council for two items: 1. the schedule of the loose in the street or the claw system for yard waste pick up and 5-year Solid waste rates.
- City of Davis will be posting the staff reports in a couple of weeks. The "Loose in the Street" staff report will include feedback from residents.

#### West Sacramento

• West Sacramento's reroute with Waste Management launched January 14<sup>th</sup>. Over all it went very well.

## Winters - Carol Scianna

- The PTA hosted an E-Waste event on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> which turned out very successful.
- The City of Winters has been working with the downtown merchants getting the organics program moving along. Winters has a new downtown hotel opening soon, which will include an outdoor patio area which opens into the alleyway. The City is working to activate this alley making it more pedestrian and customer friendly which will include undergrounding utilities and moving trash/recycling containers to a more desirable location.

## Woodland - Rosie Ledesma

• City of Woodland sent out letters to all the qualifying businesses regarding the organics recycling program requirements.

UC Davis - Michael Fan

- UC Davis bio-digester is now complete. The feeding schedule has increased. By the end of February, the bio digester should be running at full capacity.
- UC Davis has started looking for a consultant on how to operate a composting facility.

# 3. MAC

Marissa Juhler

• No MAC meeting to report on

Rosie Ledesma

• California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) has sent out letters to propane-related businesses and potential retailers of 1-pound refillable propane tanks regarding HD31. Currently we have four retailers interested in selling and/or refilling the propane tanks.

## 4. Voluntary Survey for the County's Committees

Carol Scianna

• No Report

## 5. New Landfill Unit 6F Construction

Ramin Yazdani

• Landfill module 6F construction bids will be released for advertisement next week. Bid opening will be on March 5, 2019. Engineer's cost estimate is over \$10 million.

## 6. Organics Diversion Project Construction Update

Ramin Yazdani

- Anaerobic composter digester cells construction has been completed. County submitted an electric service application to PG&E in November 2018 and supposed to hear back from PG&E in February 2019. We estimate that the new service will be available by early summer and cell operation will begin then.
- The In-Vessel digester for food waste is currently under construction and is estimated to be completed by summer of 2019.

## 7. Member Questions

Carol brought to the WAC members, it was time to vote for another chair to represent at the WAC meetings.

## **Meeting Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned by Carol Scianna at 3:30 p.m.

#### Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 28, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Carol Scianna, Chair Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee *Rose Cook* 

Prepared by: Rose Cook