



County of Yolo

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

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DIRECTOR

MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2016

John Geisler called the April 28th, 2016 meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Those present were:

Members: John Geisler, Michael McDonald, Jacques Franco, Larry Fisher, Michael Fan, Paulina Benner, Roberta Childers, and Carol Scianna

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Ramin Yazdani – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Pam Hedrick – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Tamara Lokteff – Yolo County DCS, DIWM

Guests: Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis, member of the public
Rosie Ledesma – City of Woodland

Absent/Notified:

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Carol Scianna moved to approve the March 2016 meeting minutes.
Roberta Childers seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION: Passed. (1 member abstained)

Regular Agenda

2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

Yolo County – Linda Sinderson / Marissa Juhler

- Acknowledgement – passing of WAC member
 - Dorothy Peterson died peacefully in her sleep at home on April 7, 2016

(Yolo County Update, continued)

- April 26th - Board of Supervisors approved purchase of the landfill's gas to energy plant
- Since February 22nd, 1479 mattresses diverted from the landfill (MJ)
- Reuse Store Grand Opening is now set for Friday, June 3rd (flyers are available)
- Pilot Organics Recycling program for Clarksburg residents (152 homes)
 - Further surveys to come in Esparto, Yolo and Knights Landing
- Cigarette Butt Pollution project released on CPSC list serve and website

City of Davis – Jennifer Gilbert gave an update on behalf of Jacques Franco

- Citywide curbside organic waste pick-up is ready to begin in July
 - Meetings set with homeowners associations to work through details

City of West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- City Council approved draft terms of Waste Management Franchise agreement
 - Working out details and implementation guidelines for each program.
 - Planning to execute a finalized agreement at the June 15th council meeting

City of Winters – Carol Scianna

- May 7th – City Wide Yard Sale at the City Park and throughout the city
- May 7th – WM Bulky Item / E-waste / HHW event at the City Corp Yard

City of Woodland – Roberta Childers

- Continuing hands-on assistance with recycling program at multi-family complexes
- Successful Bulky Waste event led by Waste Management, 887 cars despite a rainy day

UC Davis – Michael Fan

- E-waste collection event on campus
- Recycling Coordinator is developing a campus plan for getting to Zero Waste by 2020
- Digester is functioning, passed latest testing and UCD received PG&E rebate check
 - Working on a process to extract ammonia for use as organic fertilizer

3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update – Marissa Juhler

- Used Oil Filter Exchange Event planned for Saturday, May 14th

4. 2016-17 Division Budget – Linda Sinderson

- Budget is still in draft form, copies were not yet available
- Proposed changes from last year include: construction of a food/green waste digester, improvements to the gas to energy facility, a paved recycling area and site pavement repairs, development of a liquid waste digester.
- Questions and brief discussion of gas to electricity vs. the feasibility of bio-methane gas

5. Composting and C&D Facility Update – Marissa Juhler / Linda Sinderson

- CalR approved transferring of food waste or green/food waste loads to begin May 2nd
- Developing separate RFP's for release on May 9th for transferring C&D and Organics
 - Marissa - C&D RFP will include Cal Green's Jan 1st 65% diversion requirement
 - Linda/Ramin - RFP for transfer of green/food waste, including digester component
- Questions and discussion about proposals and the options to be available

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CalRecycle Organics Grant – Ramin Yazdani

- YCCL Anaerobic Composter & Liquid Digester Facility packet provided (attached)
 - 8 years of experience, pilot to full scale projects developed with continuing research
 - Ramin reviewed basic process of project and potential for expansion
 - Permitting in process to move forward with the construction
- Potential of Cal Recycling Grant in July – Depends on interpretation of the project
 - Total of \$4M allocated for rural county projects (less than 200 tons per year)
 - Evaluating potential of grant based on city information (List of Questions in packet)
 - “Food rescue” requirement also included in the grant
 - Cal Recycle will require contracts or letters of intent from participating cities
 - Performance based grant - award of funds directly related to diversion over time
 - Grant award will have direct relation to lower fees for residents and contracts
- Marissa Juhler relayed comments from MAC members given via conference call:
 - City of Davis (MAC) – Cannot support digester project without more information but supports the county moving forward in applying for the grant.
 - City of Woodland (MAC) – Cannot support digester grant through waste flow/letter of intent without firm disposal rates.
- Further discussion regarding green/food waste organics diversion.

Other Discussions

Members requested that the County provide the Meeting Agenda and any supporting materials at least 4-5 working days in advance of the meeting date. It was also requested that the minutes of each meeting be provided to all members in a prompt fashion so that comments can be given in a substantial way.

A member requested that the Waste Advisory Committee pages on the website be reviewed and updated with current information.

Member Questions

None.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman John Geisler at 4:45 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for May 26, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

John Geisler, Chair
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

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