



MINUTES

**SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

September 10, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.
San Carlos Library Conference Room A

Call to Order: 2:00 PM

1. Roll Call

Agency	Present	Absent	Agency	Present	Absent
Atherton	X		Menlo Park	X	
Belmont	X		Redwood City		X
Burlingame		X	San Carlos		X
East Palo Alto		X	San Mateo	X	
Foster City	X		County of San Mateo	X	
Hillsborough	X		West Bay Sanitary District		X

2. Public Comment

Persons wishing to address the Board on matters NOT on the posted agenda may do so.

Each speaker is limited to two minutes. If there are more than five individuals wishing to speak during public comment, the Chairman will draw five speaker cards from those submitted to speak during this time. The balance of the Public Comment speakers will be called upon at the end of the Board Meeting.

If the item you are speaking on is not listed on the agenda, please be advised that the Board may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed as allowed under The Brown Act (Government Code Section 54954.2). The Board's general policy is to refer items to staff for attention, or have a matter placed on a future Board agenda for a more comprehensive action or report and formal public discussion and input at that time.

None

3. Approval of Consent Calendar:

Consent Calendar item(s) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless members of the Board, staff or public request specific items be removed for separate action. *Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be moved to the end of the agenda for separate discussion.*

- A. Adopt the July 9, 2015 TAC Meeting Minutes

Motion: Member Murray

Second: Member Porter

Voice Vote: All in favor

4. Staff Update on Review of Draft Plan and Recommended Process for SBWMA to Support Member Agencies with Future Decisions Regarding Franchise Agreements with Recology (Verbal Presentation only)

Executive Director McCarthy gave a verbal update on the next steps to assist Member Agencies to be prepared to make a decision regarding their Franchise Agreements with Recology. He noted that after talking with Chair Oskoui, a smaller adhoc subcommittee of the TAC would discuss the item further and assist in drafting a plan to

take back to the full TAC for feedback, and then to the Board. He noted that there were likely to be some foundational changes that could be made for all of the Franchise Agreements, but any service level changes would be on an individual Member Agency basis, and with all of the changes the JPA would build a rate revenue model. He also noted that he didn't want it to be overly complicated when it didn't need to be, and the assumption is that the Member Agencies will be negotiating as a group with Recology unless told otherwise. He also added that at the next TAC meeting in October, there will be a document to review, and each Board Member will need to decide if they want to be a part of a shared negotiating process, and what process they want to go through.

Member Abrams commented that she had met with her Board Member Catherine Carlton, and Board Vice Chair Fran Dehn, and that generally they are satisfied with the service, and that they had noted if there are ways to increase commercial recycling through the Franchise they would like to incorporate that into the negotiations.

Member Porter noted that he would like to see illegal dumping addressed, noting that it's a big problem in North Fair Oaks. He added that he would like to look at a voucher choice instead of a bulky item collection option.

Member Murray commented that she gets 12-15 customer calls per year, and that San Mateo thinks the current contract is going well without complaint, and she appreciated the two to three years of predictability in the rates as well.

5. Discussion on SBWMA Draft 2016 Reports Reviewing Compensation Adjustment Applications for Recology San Mateo County and South Bay Recycling (Discussion only)

Executive Director McCarthy opened the item noting that it was one more opportunity to give feedback on the rate report. He noted that table 2, summary of costs, and table 8, actual rate impact, have some changes and that the overall rate impact is negative 0.6% following the prescribed method in the Franchise Agreements.

Staff Fakira added that there was also a change to reflect the payment to Atherton, and remove the Agency fees that are not relevant to Belmont.

Member Galli asked if line G was new, and if that balance was being held by the Member Agencies.

Executive Director McCarthy answered that since Member Agencies are requesting refunds of the surplus revenue there needed to be a place in the table to verify the dollar amount.

Mike Kelly of Recology noted that Recology's annual revenue reconciliation report would also add a similar line item.

Member Galli noted that it looked like it is set against the rate variance.

Executive Director McCarthy noted that it is sitting as a balance, not set against rates, and it would be netted out if applied.

Member Galli noted that Foster City had a surplus and questioned why it wasn't shown.

Executive Director McCarthy answered that internal rate stabilization funds are not shown.

Staff Fakira added that what is being shown is rate payers' money not city funds.

Executive Director McCarthy added that the Recology Compensation Application is another good news story this year, and asked Staff Gans to give an update on the SBR 2016 Compensation Application.

Staff Gans noted that there are no changes between the draft and final SBR Compensation Application. He added that compensation is based on transfer station and MRF operating costs and transportation, and the total change in compensation is 1.5%

6. TAC Member Comments

Member Porter commented that the County Board of Supervisors is beginning to look at recent issues regarding subsidized rates and he wondering if other Member Agencies were doing the same.

Executive Director McCarthy noted that Counsel Lanzone's office has been calling legal counsel in each jurisdiction regarding the issue, and he encouraged TAC members to network with each other because it would be an organic issue for each Agency to begin to deal with the issue.

Member Oskoui asked for an update on the Business Reporting Ordinance.

Executive Director McCarthy noted that there would be a staff report on the Board Agenda, but some large businesses are not complying and staff will be reaching out to the TAC members for assistance.

7. Adjourn 2:39PM