

MINUTES

**SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 13, 2018 – 2:00PM.
San Carlos Library Conference Room A**

Call to Order: 2:10PM

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	

Alternate Member Gordon Tong attended representing County of San Mateo

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. Executive Director's Report – Update on Franchise Agreement Extensions and Amendment One Discussions

Executive Director La Mariana welcomed everyone to the meeting and made some announcements:

- 10 of the 12 Member Agencies have approved their Franchise Agreement Extensions and the Belmont City Manager was given the authority to execute Belmont's contract.
- Amendment One discussions are underway, and the Negotiation Team and Recology are working towards a solution on litter reduction. Operational solutions for the Bulky Item and Abandoned waste program that is currently at 95% capacity which is double the amount that was originally bid during the RFP process
- Emi Hashizume who was in the audience will start as the new Environmental Education Manager on October 1.
- There is an opening for one of the fellow positions as Nicole Lee has resigned.

- The Agency will hold a Rethink Recycling Day Event on October 27, and everyone is invited to attend and asked for help in getting the word out.
- There will be a discussion at the September Board meeting regarding refunding of the Agency's bonds. Refunding could represent a savings of \$500,000 per year and that savings could offset the future capital costs.
- Regarding the Battery Program re-launch- currently SBR is collecting three times more batteries than before the program launch. And with success there is added costs.
- This will be the last TAC meeting of the year, as the October meeting is cancelled.

4. 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. Approval of the July 12, 2018 TAC Meeting Minutes

Member Tong noted a mistake in the attendance record. The County of San Mateo was present and the City of San Mateo was absent.

Motion/Second: Tong/Cooke

Voice Vote: All in Favor

5. 2019 Compensation Applications Review

A. Review of the SBWMA Final Report Reviewing the 2019 Recology San Mateo County Compensation Application

Staff John Mangini gave a Power Point Presentation on the Recology Compensation Application. He noted that during the Agency question period one question was raised, and it resulted in a \$20,000 calculation change.

Q&A followed. Staff will follow up with the TAC on what costs are associated with the disposal and processing fee increase.

B. Review of the SBWMA Final Report Reviewing the 2019 South Bay Recycling Compensation Application explaining the background and timing.

Staff John Mangini noted that the SBR compensation application process is more straightforward than the Recology Compensation application process because the SBR contract is with the Agency, not the Member Agencies, and there are very clear CPI indicators that make it more straightforward. He noted that volume causes fluctuations in compensation and that the SBR Compensation Application includes transportation and commodity market issues.

6. Discussion on Anticipated Future System Costs

- A. Franchise Agreement Extension Transaction
- B. Capital MRF Enhancements
- C. Organics to Energy Pilot
- D. Disposal Costs 2020 and Beyond
- E. SB 1383: Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP): Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions

Executive Director La Mariana gave an overview of the staff report and explained Table 1 in the report. He noted that the percentage numbers in the staff report are estimates and this will be a living document which will be updated as the numbers come in. He also discussed the Disposal RFP process and

evaluation team who will review and formulate a final recommendation.

He emphasized that as Member Agencies are considering rates for rate years 19, 20 and 21 they should consider adding a percentage point or two to each of the coming rate years to soften these increasing costs going forward.

The TAC suggested a range of percentage increases in each category before putting the document in Member Agency staff reports.

7. Contractor Updates

Dwight Herring of SBR gave a contract update.

- Commodities market - cardboard is up to \$15/ton, mixed paper is up to \$5/ton and is no longer negative, all loads are inspected and all are going to South East Asia markets.
- Batteries – with the launch of the battery program there has been a 278% increase in battery collection in September.

The TAC discussed the commodities market and that contamination is currently at 5-8% and that there is still no market for plastics 3-7, and how to encourage residents not to use those plastics. Staff noted that if the plastic container has a screw top lid it is a 1 or 2 grade plastic anything else like clam shells are going to the landfill.

The TAC also discussed the battery program. Executive Director La Mariana pointed out that the orange bag is not required but the Board wants the Orange bag to continue going forward so it will, and the TAC supported continued use of the orange bag as well. And, staff is still working on EPR solutions.

Recology no report.

8. Future TAC Agenda Items

Member Tong asked for a discussion on the Bonds.

Member Lucky asked for an ongoing legislative update.

9. TAC Member Comments

- Executive Director La Mariana encouraged TAC members to get their Board Members to come on tours of Shoreway.
- Staff Gans asked which Member Agencies have Climate action plans – all did.
- Member Lucky followed up that Menlo Park is currently the only Member Agency with a Zero Waste plan but cautioned that their plan has resulted in heavy work streams requiring a lot of human capital.
- Chair Oskoui asked about the Air Board's Diesel Free by 23 plan and how that will affect new Recology Equipment replacement strategy.
 - Staff La Mariana noted that between 2020 and 2026 the Recology fleet will convert to an as yet undetermined fuel source.

10. Adjourn 3:20PM