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**MINUTES**

**SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

March 7, 2022 2:00PM

Via Zoom Tele or Video Conference

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**Call To Order: 2:15PM**

**1. Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Michael Brownrigg	<b>X</b>	
Adam Rak	<b>X</b>	
Carole Groom	<b>X</b>	
Fran Dehn		<b>X</b>

SBWMA Staff Members Present: Joe La Mariana, Julia Au, Cyndi Urman

Others Present: Kayla Robinson, Environmental and Energy Consulting; Reed Addis, Environmental and Energy Consulting, Gordon Tong, Drew

**2. Public Comment**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3(a), members of the public wishing to address the Committee may do so, and the comments shall be limited to the Special Meeting notice topic(s). Speakers may join the Zoom meeting via the meeting link and using the “raise hand” feature and the Clerk of the Board will call on people.

None

**3. Executive Director’s Welcome**

Due to the late start Executive Director La Mariana did not give updates.

**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 Committee, 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 Minutes from the February 7, 2022 Legislative Committee Meeting

Due to the late start the committee will vote on the February 7, 2022 minutes at the April Legislative Committee meeting, so they could focus on the legislative discussion.

**5. Discussion on SBWMA’s Co-sponsored bills:**

- **SB 1215 (Newman) and AB 2440 (Irwin): The Responsible Battery Recycling Act**
- **AB 1985 (R. Rivas): Compost & Mulch Market Development Act**

Kayla Robinson gave an overview of the current legislative bills the Agency is co-sponsoring this legislative session. . They include:

- SB 1215 (Newman) and AB 2440 (Irwin): The Responsible Battery Recycling Act – RethinkWaste is co-sponsoring this with Californians Against Waste (CAW) and the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC). These bills will be moving through both the Assembly and the Senate at the same time and will be amended at the same time. EEC is currently talking to opposition, as well as committee consultants in both houses to plan for those committee meetings likely in April.

Reed Addis added that tactically they are in a very good position on this bill. Having said that it's important for the legislative committee members to now be reaching out to colleagues across the state to create energy throughout California so communities are putting pressure from a grass roots perspective on their legislatures to say that this is an important issue to them.

- AB 1985 (R. Rivas): Compost & Mulch Market Development Act – RethinkWaste is also co-sponsoring this bill because of concerns around SB 1383's organic procurement requirements. This bill allows for local governments to get relief on the procurement side of SB1383. EEC will be meeting with CalRecycle on this issue in the next few months to hopefully find agreement on what would be an acceptable path forward for both CalRecycle and local governments.

Executive Director noted that the talking points to the Legislative Committee members were distributed on March 2.

The committee discussed the talking points memo they had received by email, and agreed to give staff feedback, and then get the talking points out to the full board.

## **6. Legislative Updates from EEC and Committee Discussion**

- **2022 Legislative Session Introduced Bills the SBWMA is tracking**

Kayla Robinson then went over a list of introduced bills that EEC is recommending the SBWMA support in this legislative session.

AB 1690 (L. Rivas) – Ban on single use vapes and filters sponsored by the National Stewardship Action Council. The rationale for supporting this bill is that vape batteries have been a really big source of lithium-ion battery fires, and single use filters have been one of the biggest sources of litter in California. This bill gets at both of those RethinkWaste priorities.

SB 983 (Eggman) – Right to Repair sponsored by Californians Against Waste (CAW). The rationale for SBWMA support on this is because engaging in this issue is part of the long-term plan for the Agency as well as the goal for this bill to be to repair electronics, most of which have lithium-ion batteries in them so this would create less electronic waste.

SB 1046 (Eggman) would require the produce bags at grocery stores to be either compostable or recyclable by a date that is not yet set. The rationale for supporting this bill is that plastic bags continue to be an issue in the waste stream, and this is another way to continue to get at the plastic bag issue.

SB 1256 (Wieckowski) would ban the sale of disposable propane cylinders. She noted this is the one-pound canister people use when camping, and the legislation would go into effect in 2028 to give time for manufacturers to adapt. The rationale for support of this is that these smaller cylinders are a fire risk, and there are reusable alternatives on the market.

Member Brownrigg noted that if reusable propane containers are way heavier than the disposable propane cylinders that will be difficult for backpackers, and he thought most people knew how to dispose of them safely, and so he felt more ambivalent about this bill.

Member Brownrigg is now absent quorum no longer present.

**7. Legislative Committee Member Comments**

**8. Adjourn 2:34PM**