

Hazardous Materials Commission

Draft Minutes Operations Committee

April 8, 2022

Members and Alternates

Present: Marielle Boortz, Fred Glueck, Steve Linsley, Terry Baldwin (alternate), Heather Youngs (alternate), Edi Bursan

Absent: Tim Bancroft, Gabe Quinto, Treston Shull (represented by alternate),

Staff: Michael Kent,

Members of the Public: None

1) Call to order, announcements:

Commissioner Glueck called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

Michael Kent made the following announcements:

- The Planning Commission will be reviewing the Health and Safety Element of the draft update to the County's General Plan on April 13th in the evening.
- The steering committee of the AB 617 West County Air Pollution Reduction planning effort will meet on April 25th starting at 5:30.
- The Commission's annual meeting with Supervisor Burgis will be April 28th at 2:30.
- The next Planning and Policy committee meeting will be on April 20th and the next full Commission meeting will be on April 28th.

2) Approval of Minutes:

Approval of the minutes from the March 11, 2022 meeting were moved by Commissioner Boortz, seconded by Commissioner Linsley and approved with corrections by a vote of 5- 0.

3) Public Comments: None

4) Old Business:

a) Update on the recruitment process for the open Environmental Justice and General Public Alternate seats

The committee reviewed the timelines for the General Public Alternate seat and the Environmental Justice seat and agreed to keep the deadline for submitting applications for the General Public Alternate seat as May 1st and the Environmental Justice seat as May 31st. The committee also agreed to keep the schedule for interviewing the candidates for the General

Public Alternate seat as May 13th and the Environmental Justice seat as June 10th. Staff reviewed all the places the recruitment flyers were sent and agreed to add Community Colleges to the list.

5) New Business:

a) Discuss a research approach to addressing the use of alternatives to treated wood in the County's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy

Commissioner Youngs started the conversation by observing that the purchasing policy has some guidelines, but some are vague and some are specific.

Commissioner Glueck said he thought that the policy could be done as a best practices policy.

The committee agreed that it would be too difficult to develop specific recommendations as to the exact alternatives or types of treated wood that should be used in specific applications because there are too many variables to consider such as strength requirements, environment of use, and cost comparisons. The committee decided it should focus on developing recommendations that establish criteria for consideration when deciding what product to use for a specific application.

b) Review the latest draft of the Health and Safety Element of the draft update to the County's General Plan to compare against previous Commission recommendations

The committee reviewed a partially complete comparison of the draft update to the Health and Safety Element of the County's General Plan against previous Commission recommendations made on February 1 and March 1 of 2021.

The committee had the following comments:

HS-P9.10 – Needs to define *Hazardous Waste Facility*.

HS-P9.9 – This policy does not adequately address the Commission's recommendation.

HS-P9.11 – Needs a better definition of *Sensitive Receptor and Hazardous Waste Facility*.

The committee also recommended a new Action Item which was to have the Board of Supervisors encourage the cities in the County to adopt similar policies and actions when they update their General Plans.

6) Plan Next Agenda: The committee will interview candidates for the General Public Alternate seat, review policies related to the purchase of treated wood, and review the Health and Safety Element of the Draft update to the General Plan as directed by the full Commission.

7) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.