

Minutes
AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, April 11, 2019
1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Sonoma County Department of Transportation and Public Works
2300 County Center Drive, Suite B-100, Main Conference Room
Santa Rosa, California 95403

I. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ken Wells at 1:30 pm.

- Attendees: Max Bridges – League of Women Voters, Tara McRann – Scientific Representative (Alt), Stu Clark – 4th District Representative, Angela Beran - City of Rohnert Park, Will Bakx – Agriculture Industry, Ken Wells – Sierra Club, Glenn Morelli - Sonoma County Public Works, Jennifer Lyle – Local Enforcement Agency, Janel Perry - Sonoma County Waste Management Agency, Michael Anderson – Marketing Specialist, Kristyn Byrne - 3rd District Representative, Mark Soiland – City of Cotati (Alt), Dan Noble – Association of Compost Producers, Rick Downey – Republic Services, Sunny Galbraith – City of Sebastopol, Lee Pierce - Sonoma County Recycling Association (Alt), Joey Hejnowicz – City of Santa Rosa, Portia Sinnott – Non-Profit Recycling Organization (via phone).

II. Approval of draft Minutes from February 14, 2019 LTF meeting

Minutes for the February Meeting were not available at meeting time. Action on approval of the minutes was deferred to next meeting.

III. Election of Officers

The following were nominated and elected to office:

- Chair – Ken Wells
- Vice Chair – Tara McRann
- Chair Pro-Tem – Michael Anderson
- Secretary – Election of this officer was deferred to next meeting

IV. Update from ad hoc Permitting Issues committee

Update from Stu Clark regarding the progress of the committee's work. The committee has completed their review and findings and is beginning to prepare a presentation/report, which is tentatively scheduled to be presented to the full LTF at the upcoming June meeting.

V. Update on Zero Waste Resolutions

Joey Hejnowicz provided the group with an update on Santa Rosa's Zero Waste Plan process. He reminded the members that the plan is currently in the public comment period until April 26th and encouraged people to take the opportunity to provide input.

Sunny Galbraith suggested that as additional jurisdictions move to consider Zero Waste Resolutions, that the process could benefit from identifying Zero Waste "Champions" in these other jurisdictions to advocate, coordinate and be a knowledge resource for community members and elected officials in those jurisdictions considering adoption. She also offered to share the workshop template she created and used successfully in Sebastopol in advance of the city adopting their resolution. Portia Sinnott informed the group of a Zero Waste speakers group who could be available to present a program entitled "Zero Waste Curious" to interested groups or jurisdictions. Sunny also informed the group that the Zero Waste Symposium is now planned to held in June with the specific date to be determined.

VI. Legislative Committee Report and SB 1383 Update

Ken Wells provided an update on the SB 1383 comment process. It was also mentioned that responses to comments might be grouped by category as opposed to CalRecycle responding individually to each comment. It was pointed out that the presentation given to the LTF regarding SB 1383 by CalRecycle staff was available on their website. There was also a brief discussion regarding the AB 901 reporting timeline.

Tara McRann provided an overview of the current state legislative timeline and the various prospective bills in process in Sacramento. Tara also provided a brief update regarding local issues, including the status of the proposed polystyrene ban. There was a group discussion regarding options for engaging in the State Legislative process via sending letters of support or opposition for specific bills as they move through the process. It was suggested that while letters from individuals could certainly be sent that sometimes the timing of the legislative process does not coincide well with the every-other month schedule of the LTF meetings in as much as the timing logistics of formal approval to send a letter from the LTF may not always work well. It was suggested that the Legislation Committee may want to consider taking the lead for tracking of the bills with an eye towards advising the full LTF of comment opportunities in a timely manner if or when possible.

VII. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VIII. Member Announcements

Sunny Galbraith announced a Climate Action Night event to be held at the Santa Rosa Junior College on April 24th. Dan Noble also provided a brief update on the Sustainable Enterprise Conference held at Sonoma State University on April 5th, 2019.

IX. Next Regular Meeting Date/Suggestions for Agenda Items

- June 13, 2019

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Stu Clark

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