## MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

#### AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010 Suite 200-A Conference Room 65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

8:30 -10:00 AM

#### **AGENDA**

Call to Order.

- 1) Open Time for Public Comment.
- 2) Approval of the December 2, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes (Action 5 Minutes).
- Appointment of Local Task Force Chair (Action 10 Minutes).
- Legislative Platform Update (Discussion 30 minutes).
- 5) Local Task Force Meeting Frequency (Discussion/Action 15 Minutes).
- 6) Local Task Force Meeting Attendance and Membership Requests. (Discussion/Action 15 Minutes)
- 7) Adjourn.

Next LTF Meeting will be held on March 3, 2010 at 8:30 AM.

Next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on April 14, 2010.

Next JPA Board Meeting will be held on May 27, 2010.

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## Draft MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AB 939 Local Task Force Meeting Wednesday, December 2, 2009 Suite 200-A Conference Room 65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

#### **MINUTES**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Patricia Garbarino, Marin Sanitary
Matt McCarron, Novato
Jon Elam, Tamalpais CSD
Tamara Hull, Sustainable San Rafael
Tania Levy, Unincorporated Area
Loretta Figueroa, Almonte Sanitary District
Trip Allen, Sierra Club
David Haskell, Sustainable Marin
Steve McCaffrey, Redwood Empire Disp.

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Greg Christie, Bay Cities (Alternate) Terry Cosgrove, San Rafael Ramin Khany, Redwood Landfill Tom Gaffney, Ross Valley Cities

#### STAFF PRESENT

Eric Lueder, JPA Staff Alex Soulard, JPA Staff

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Casey Mazzoni, San Rafael Resident Roger Roberts, Marin Conserv. League Judy Schriebman, LGVSD Dee Johnson, Novato Sanitary District

Call to Order. The Local Task Force (LTF) meeting came to order at 8:33 AM.

1. Open Time for Public Comment. Roger Roberts stated that he received a letter from Californians Against Waste which focused on three pieces of legislation that were vetoed in the last legislative cycle and proposed legislation that would require 75% waste diversion for all California municipalities. He also stated that the LTF should develop a relationship with Jared Huffman, that January is the time that all bills are reintroduced from the previous year, and that the JPA needs to reaffirm its support for AB 68.

Staff reported that the LTF Chair will not be attending the next two meetings and had asked that appointment of a new LTF Chair be placed on the agenda. Several Task Force members nominated Jon Elam for the Chair position and asked that appointment be placed on the next agenda.

Jon Elam and Tamara Hull requested that staff prepare a report of attendance of LTF meetings over the past year for the January LTF meeting and place an item on the agenda to discuss making Judy Schriebman a permanent alternate member of the LTF.

- 2. <u>Approval of the October 7, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes</u>. M/s Hull, Figueroa to approve the October 7, 2009 meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.
- 3. Executive Committee Request for a Legislative Platform. Staff reported that the Executive Committee requested the Local Task Force develop a legislative platform that can be approved by the JPA. The approval of a Legislative Plan will allow staff to more quickly send letters of support for proposed legislation. There was a meeting of the Legislative Subcommittee including Tamara Hull and Patty Garbarino that was followed by an email to all LTF members describing the proposed approach and links to environmental and municipal websites that would better prepare the LTF for discussion. Patty Garbarino and Tamara Hull reported on their subcommittee meeting and how they favored using a major waste reduction environmental group's platform as long as legislation was also supported by the California State Association of Counties. They also favored taking specific stances on issues and suggested modeling the JPA's Platform after the City of San Francisco's. Matt McCarron recommended against following any one groups platform gave a brief description of how bills are often gutted and rewritten and that the JPA will need to continue to monitor legislation that it has shown support for. Jon Elam suggested inviting Heidi Sanborn and Jared Huffman to future meetings of the subcommittee and Local Task Force. Tania Levy stated that it is important to have the platform ready for the JPA following the January LTF meeting. The subcommittee should continue to monitor emerging bills following the approval of a platform. The Task Force agreed to use San Francisco's platform as a model, have members email suggested topics and framework language to staff which the subcommittee will use to develop a platform. The platform will be brought back to the LTF at the January meeting. The subcommittee set a meeting time of December 14, 2009 at 11:30am at 65 Mitchell Blvd.
- 4. <u>Update on Executive Committee Action on Zero Waste Feasibility Study.</u> Staff reported that the final draft of the Zero Waste Feasibility Study is being completed by R3 as they address all comments that were made prior to the November 10, 2009 comment closing period. Once completed this draft will be placed on MarinRecycles.org along with copies of all comments. The Executive Committee asked that the contactor and counsel review the JPA Agreement to determine what authority the JPA has in administering additional programs and directed the Budget Subcommittee to develop a matrix of costs for recommended programs. Acceptance of the Zero Waste Feasibility Study will be placed on the Board agenda for their January 28, 2010 meeting.

Several Task Force members inquired whether the LTF would have another chance to comment on the plan. Jon Elam asked how the LTF could be a partner in developing programs and budgetary analysis of the study. Staff stated that the Budget Subcommittee of the JPA will be developing the cost analysis matrix. Jon Elam stated that the JPA Board members do not have the time or capability to provide the appropriate analysis. David Haskell asked how the recommendation of reformation of the JPA is being addressed. Staff stated that it was a discussion point listed in the Executive Committees Agenda and that the Executive Committee did not respond to Jon Elam's offer to have the LTF analyze and provide additional comment on the

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study, but focused on having the Budget Subcommittee provide a financial analysis of programs and determine what programs can be initiated under the current JPA Agreement. Loretta Figueroa stated that a list of comments made at public meetings had not been added to the list of comments. Jon Elam and David Haskell stated that the JPA Board Members do not have enough expertise in waste management systems or interest in using the LTF to provide analysis. Matt McCarron stated that he did not see Heidi Sanborn's fingerprints on the report and stated that the JPA reformulation needs to be stated in the study. David Haskell stated that they did not ask for a feasibility study but a plan. Roger Roberts stated that contractors often provide a product that allows them to acquire additional work and that the JPA needs to ensure they provide a complete product. Dee Johnson stated that the Executive Committee did ask very good questions regarding cost, budgets, and that the Board does have a level of expertise in waste related issues. David Haskell stated he needs to stand up for the new paradigm and that the study shows the old paradigm of garbage management and he questioned the capacity of the Department of Public Works to see the path to Zero Waste.

Staff agreed to check with R3 to see when the revised Zero Waste Feasibility Study would be available or if R3 would be able to report back to the LTF in January. Depending on the availability of the report staff will consult with the Vice-Chair to determine the proper item to place on the January LTF agenda.

5. Adjourn. - Next meeting scheduled for January 6, 2010 at 8:30am

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## MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

Belvedere:

George Rodericks

Date: February 3, 2010

Corte Madera:

**David Bracken** 

To:

Local Task Force Members

County of Marin:

Matthew Hymel

From: Alex Soulard

Fairfax:

Michael Rock

Re:

Appointment of Local Task Force Chair

Larkspur:

**Robert Sinnott** 

Prior to the December Local Task Force Meeting your current Chair,

Tom Gaffney, stated that he would not be able to attend the December or January LTF meetings and recommended nominating and appointing

a new Chair.

Mill Valley: Wayne Bush

Novato: Michael Frank At your December 2, 2009 meeting, during open time, staff discussed this issue with the Task Force. The current Vice Chair, Jon Elam was

nominated for the position of Chair.

Ross:

**Gary Broad** 

It is recommended that your Committee discuss the nomination of Jon Elam as Chair and vote to elect a Chair and Vice Chair of the LTF.

San Anselmo:

**Debbie Stutsman** 

San Rafael: Ken Nordhoff

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Sausalito:

Adam Politzer

Tiburon:

Margaret Curran

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Re:

Legislative Platform Update

Larkspur:

Robert Sinnott

At their October 21, 2009 meeting the Executive Committee directed the

Local Task Force to develop a Legislative Platform for presentation to

the JPA Board.

Mill Valley:

Several members of the LTF met informally in November to discuss the

development of the platform.

Wayne Bush

Novato: Michael Frank

Ross:

Gary Broad

San Anselmo:

San Anselmo: Debbie Stutsman

San Rafael: Ken Nordhoff

Sausalito: Adam Politzer

Tiburon:

Margaret Curran

Discussion at the LTF meeting on December 2, 2009 included the concept of using San Francisco's platform as a model. Staff provided copies of San Francisco's platform as a reference. The subcommittee set a date of December 14 to meet and discuss. Only one (1) member of the subcommittee attended and no further meetings have occurred

since.

Staff has attempted to coordinate the development of a draft platform

during the month of January to no avail.

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Re: Local Task Force Meeting Frequency

Larkspur:

**Robert Sinnott** 

Mill Valley: Wayne Bush

Novato: Michael Frank

Ross: **Gary Broad** 

San Anselmo: **Debbie Stutsman** 

San Rafael: Ken Nordhoff

Sausalito: Adam Politzer

Tiburon: Margaret Curran At your September 2, 2009 meeting staff requested that your Task Force discuss the option of modifying the frequency and/or length of Local Task Force (LTF) meetings. Due to the release of the Draft Zero Waste Feasibility Study the LTF agreed to maintain monthly meetings and asked that meeting frequency be revisited on the January 2010 agenda.

Meetings are presently scheduled for 90 minutes and occur monthly. There has been ongoing difficulty attaining a quorum from members, inconsistency of attendance, and a lack of agenda items that require action.

At this time the staff requests the Task Force to discuss and come to an agreement on a meeting frequency.

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Tiburon: **Margaret Curran**  At your December 2, 2009 meeting your Task Force requested that staff prepare a report on the member attendance for the 2009 LTF meetings. Additionally the LTF requested that they have an opportunity to discuss the appointment of Judy Schriebman of the Las Gallinas Sanitary District

LTF Meeting Attendance and Membership Requests

Board as a permanent alternate for any member of the LTF.

According to the JPA agreement the AB939 Local Task Force has no control of its own membership. All additional LTF positions and appointments must be made by the JPA Board or the specified municipalities that have a public member. Therefore, the only action the LTF may take is to make a recommendation to the JPA Executive Committee.

As requested staff has prepared a report of attendance for the seven LTF meetings that were held in 2009. The attendance is as follows:

LTF Member	# of Meetings	LTF Member	# of Meetings
Jon Elam	7	Matt McCarron	5
Tamara Hull	7	Ramin Khany	4
Tania Levy	7	Patty Garbarino	4
Loretta Figueroa	7	Trip Allen	4
David Haskell	7	Greg Christie (Alt.)	0
Steve McCaffrey (Alt.)	6	Terry Cosgrove	0
Tom Gaffney	5		

It is recommended that the Local Task Force discuss the meeting attendance and possibility of adding Judy Schriebman as an alternate to the Local Task Force. Following discussion if the LTF feels necessary they may make recommendations to the JPA Executive Committee regarding LTF Membership.

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