

Hazardous Materials Commission

Draft Minutes

Planning and Policy Development Committee

April 19, 2023

Members and Alternates:

Present:, Mark Hughes, George Smith, Jim Payne, Peter Coven (alternate)

Absent: Jonathan Bash, Drew Graham, Mark Ross, Soheila Bana (represented by alternate), Madeline Kronenberg (participating by Zoom as a member of the public)

Staff: Michael Kent,

Public: None

1) Call to Order, Announcements:

Commissioner Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:05.

Michael Kent announced:

- The April 27, 2023 meeting of the HMC will be in person.
- The next MRC Oversight committee meeting will be April 27th at 1:00.
- The Operations committee will interview candidates for the General Public Alternate seat and an Environmental Seat and Alternate seat at the May 12th meeting. Applications are due by May 3rd.
- The Board of Supervisors Sustainability committee will be on May 15th at 1:00.

Commissioner Hughes announced that the Industrial Association luncheon with the Board of Supervisors Gioia, Burgis and Andersen on March 28th at 11:00 at Zeo Fraedo's in Pleasant Hill went very well.

2) Public Comments: None

3) Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the March 15, 2023 meeting were moved by Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Smith and approved 2-0-2 with Commissioners Coven and Payne abstaining.

a) Old Business: Continue Discussion of Hazardous Materials-related proposed State Legislation

The committee reviewed the 8 bills that they chose at the last meeting to look at more closely to narrow down the number of bills they would ask the full Commission to consider for the Board of Supervisors to support.

The bills were:

AB 407 – used oil
AB 727 – PFAS in Cleaning products
AB 909 - clean-up of co-disposed hazardous waste
AB 1115 – underground storage tank fund
AB 1238 – solar panels
AB 1716 – CUPA reform
SB 642 – enforcement
SB 740 – expanded labor requirements of RMP

After discussing the contents of these bills in detail the committee decided they would refer AB 1115, AB 1238 And SB 740 to the full Commission for further review and consideration.

The committee also review several bills related to Lithium-ion battery production, reuse and recycling:

AB 495 – would require DTSC to post the amount of household batteries recycled each
AB 1569 – Lithium mining in the Salton Sea
AB 1579 – purchasing batteries with the least environmental impact
SB 38 – requires battery storage facilities to have emergency response and evacuation plans
SB 322 – establishes battery block grants
SB 741 – tax credits for lithium mining
SB 615 – requires all traction batteries to be recycled at the end of live4
SB 797 – spending of tax credits
SCR24 – banning cobalt importation

The committee decided to take a closer look at SB 38 and SB 615

- 4) **New Business: Non**
- 5) **Reports from Commissioners on matters of Commission interest:** None
- 6) **Plan Next Agenda:** The committee will look at hazardous waste management and enforcement issues.
- 7) **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 5:30.