

Hazardous Materials Commission

Draft Minutes

Planning and Policy Development Committee

April 19, 2017

Members and Alternates:

Present: Frank Gordon, Jim Payne, George Smith, Jack Bean (alternate), Rich Kenney

Absent: Don Bristol, Lara DeLaney, Usha Vedagiri, Matt Buell (represented by alternate)

Members of the Public: None

1. Call to order, introductions and announcements

Commissioner Payne called the meeting to order at 4:08.

Announcements:

Michael Kent announced:

- The flyer for the June 13th cybersecurity workshop is complete.
- The DEA will be holding a drug take-back day police stations throughout the county on April 29th.
- DTSC is doing work at the Liquid Gold site in Richmond
- He attended the April 11th Northern Waterfront Economic Development Initiative meeting and read the Commission's letter concerning Brownfield prioritization into the record. They approved \$500,000 for studies, some of which related to brownfields.
- The Board of Supervisors will hear a presentation on the Adapting to Rising Tides project on May 25th. The Commission's letter on this topic will be read into the record.

Commissioner Bean announced that the next Industrial Association forum will be on April 20th at 11:30 at Zio Fraedo's in Pleasant Hill. Assemblyman Tim Greyson will be the speaker. On May 18th the IA will also host a Mayor's forum at Zio Fraedo's with Mayors from Antioch, Pittsburg, Martinez, Concord and Hercules discussing job growth.

Commissioner Smith announced that on April 26th WSPA will host a lunch with Supervisors Gioia and Mitchoff at the Contra Costa Country Club in Pleasant Hill.

Commissioner Kenney announced that he attended the last Mayor's Conference meeting and presented the Commission's annual report. He directed any questions to Michael Kent.

2. Public Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the January 18, 2017 meeting were moved by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Smith and approved 4-0.

4. Old Business: None

5. New Business

a) Consider recommendations for local governments concerning Air District asbestos regulations.

The committee reviewed the presentation from the Air District at the March Commission meeting. Commissioner Gordon reviewed that Ms. Davis from the Air District said that rock outcroppings, especially if they have a blue-green tint, probably contain asbestos. Grading can disturb it. Mt. Diablo is high in serpentine rock, which contains asbestos. He also added that at the meeting Commissioner Chinn said that local maps are not very accurate. The Air District would like cities to provide handouts to project proponents about the Air District's regulations.

Commissioner Kenney gave an example of a building project in San Pablo that ran into asbestos containing material during construction and had to stop and develop a containment plan. But he was not sure if they contacted the Air District about it.

Commissioner Bean said that while he was at the Air District in 2002 they did outreach and made cities aware of the regulations. The program was started because of problems that were occurring with CalTrans projects. Before then the emphasis was on asbestos in building materials.

Commissioner Gordon mentioned that jurisdictions have always had dust control requirements for construction projects, but Commissioner Bean added that these requirements are usually not adequate if asbestos-containing materials are present.

Commissioner Gordon felt that the main interest of the Air District was to have cities hand out information about the Air District's requirements to project proponents when they were applying for construction permits. Therefore he made a motion to recommend that the Commission encourage all the jurisdictions in the County provide this material to all applicants. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Items of Interest: None

7. Plan Next Agenda: None

8. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:15.