

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Advisory Council Regular Meeting
Wednesday, June 11, 2014

Note: An audio recording of the meeting is available on the website of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/The-Air-District/Board-of-Directors/Advisory-Council/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Sam Altshuler called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairperson Sam Altshuler, P.E.; Vice-Chairperson Liza Lutzker, M.P.H.; Secretary Jessica Range, LEED A.P.; and Members Benjamin Bolles, Jeffrey Bramlett, M.S., C.S.P., Jonathan Cherry, A.I.A., Heather Forshey, Stan Hayes, John Holtzclaw, Ph.D., Frank Imhof, Kraig Kurucz, Rick Marshall, P.E., P.L.S., Bruce Mast, SaraT L. Mayer, M.P.P., Estes Al Phillips and Laura E. Tam.

Absent: Members Ana M. Alvarez, D.P.P.D., Robert Bornstein, Ph.D., Harold Brazil and Timothy O'Connor, Esq.

Also Present: None.

Opening Comments:

Chairperson Altshuler gave opening comments regarding the meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Ruby MacDonald, 350 Bay Area, addressed the Advisory Council (Council) regarding the adverse health effects resulting from operations at the Chevron Richmond refinery; to request assistance improving the air quality relative to the emissions from all refineries; the troubling news of a lawsuit by Communities for a Better Environment against the Air District; and to request help protecting public health.

NOTED PRESENT: Member Mast was noted present at 9:07 a.m.

Opening Comments (continued):

Chairperson Altshuler encouraged the submission of Council member comments to the report writing work group in advance of public meetings.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the May 14, 2014 Council Meeting

Council Comments: None.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Council Action:

Member Holtzclaw made a motion to approve the minutes of May 14, 2014; Member Bramlett seconded; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Altshuler, Bramlett, Forshey, Hayes, Holtzclaw, Imhof, Kurucz, Lutzker, Marshall, Mast, Mayer, Phillips and Range.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Cherry.

ABSENT: Alvarez, Bolles, Bornstein, Brazil, O'Connor and Tam.

DISCUSSION

2. Discussion and Finalization of Draft Report on the Council's February 13, 2014 Meeting

Council Comments:

The Council and staff deliberated upon proposed revisions to the draft report on the Council meeting on February 13, 2014.

NOTED PRESENT: Member Tam was noted present at 9:18 a.m.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Council Action:

Member Hayes made a motion to approve the Report on the Council's February 13, 2014 Meeting, as amended; Member Cherry seconded; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Altshuler, Bramlett, Cherry, Forshey, Hayes, Holtzclaw, Imhof, Kurucz, Lutzker, Marshall, Mast, Mayer, Range and Tam.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Phillips.

ABSENT: Alvarez, Bolles, Bornstein, Brazil and O'Connor.

3. Discussion of Draft Report on the Council's May 14, 2014 Meeting

Council Comments:

The Council and staff deliberated upon proposed revisions to the draft report on the Council meeting on May 14, 2014.

Chairperson Altshuler announced the resignation of Member Phillips.

Noted at the request of Chairperson Altshuler: Member Imhof shared a personal experience relative to the unintended air quality improvement stemming from the installation of global positioning system technology in agricultural equipment granted through a program targeting improved engine technology.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Council Member Comments/Other Business:

Chairperson Altshuler asked the Council to report out their personal use and the cost of utilities on a monthly basis. The Council discussed the value and intent of the request.

DISCUSSION (CONTINUED)

5. Discussion of Draft Report on the Council's May 14, 2014 Meeting (continued)

Public Comments:

Robert MacDonald, 350 Bay Area Climate Action Plan, addressed the Council to commend the scope of the report; to note the potentially erroneous reference to coal as a low-greenhouse gas energy source in the opinion of Professor Mark Jacobsen; and to suggest the imbalanced and often confusing media coverage of climate change makes the job of the Council an unenviable one.

Council Action: None; receive and file.

OTHER BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

6. Council Member Comments/Other Business (continued):

Chairperson Altshuler reminded the Council of the upcoming 2014 Annual Air & Waste Management Association Conference and those Council members who are expected to attend on behalf of various interests, including the Air District, and announced that the next speakers before the Council will likely present on the topic of smart grids.

The Council discussed the formatting of the report and the due date for comments to be submitted to the report writing work group.

7. **Report of the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer:** None.

8. **Time and Place of Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, July 9, 2014, Bay Area Air Quality Management District Headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 at 9:00 a.m.

9. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

15/Sean Gallagher

Sean Gallagher
Clerk of the Boards