Bay Area Air Quality Management District  
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Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee Meeting  
Thursday, April 7, 2022  

APPROVED MINUTES  

Note: Audio recordings of the meeting are available on the website of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District at www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas  

This meeting was conducted under procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361. Members of the Committee participated by teleconference.  

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL  

Opening Comments: Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee, Vice Chairperson Jue, called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.  

Roll Call:  

Present: Committee Vice Chairperson Tyrone Jue; and Directors John Bauters, John Gioia, David Haubert, and Nate Miley.  

Absent: Committee Chairperson Davina Hurt.  

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  

3. PUBLIC MEETING PROCEDURE  

4. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES (OUT OF ORDER, ITEM 5)  

Cecilia Mejia, Program Coordinator of Brightline Defense, gave the presentation Community Perspectives, including: a little bit about me; education and work background; Brightline's Program Coordinator; environmental justice is climate justice; and James Cary Smith: our community, our air alliance.  

Public Comments  

Public comments were given by Eddie Ahn, Brightline Defense; and Maria Dominguez, Alameda County Public Health Department.
Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the presenter's process of developing emergency air filtration programs, and ways to improve outreach to monolingual communities.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

5. PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING OVERVIEW (ITEM 6)

Veronica Eady, Senior Deputy Executive Officer (SDEO) of Policy and Equity, and Kristiana DeLeon, Co-Executive Director of The Participatory Budget Project, gave the presentation Participatory Budgeting Overview, including: requested action; outline; what is participatory budgeting?; participatory budgeting process; participatory budgeting opportunity; participatory budgeting opportunities; and next steps.

NOTED PRESENT: Director Haubert at 10:05 a.m.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed a Committee member's appreciation of participatory initiative funding, and whether the Air District will be proposing infrastructure projects, as opposed to advocacy regarding geographic equity with a focus on disproportionate impacts; the request that the Committee receives regular status updates pertaining to this issue, and the request that the Air District's Community Advisory Council, and not staff, dictates participatory budgeting policies; the differences between discretionary and restrictive funding, and the anticipated amount of time it will take the Air District to report back to the Board regarding the review of the $3M allocation; which Bay Area Assembly Bill (AB) 617 communities would receive participatory budget funds, should AB 617 become the vehicle that develops the Air District's participatory budget policy; and whether the Air District would follow the participatory budget model recently adopted in King County.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

6. BAYVIEW HUNTERS POINT ENFORCEMENT UPDATE (ITEM 7)

Patrick Wenzinger, Supervising Air Quality Specialist, gave the staff presentation Bayview Hunters Point (BVHP) Enforcement Update, including: outcome; outline; requested action; enforcement process; regulated facilities and Naturally Occurring Asbestos (NOA) sites in BVHP; general air quality concerns; Focus Area 1 - Amador Road; concrete batching; CEMEX construction materials;
central concrete supply; material handling; Hanson Aggregates Pier 92 & 94; Recology Pier 94; Focus Area 2 - Gilman Avenue; Precision Engineering & M2; Bauman Concrete; Gilman Avenue activities; inspector daily surveillance patrol; and other activities.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Tanya Monique Boyce; Lonnie Mason, First Generation Environmental Health & Economic Development; LaDonna Williams, All Positives Possible; and Dr. Raymond Tompkins, African-American Community Health Equity Council.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the historical background regarding the permitting of a shelter for the unhoused in the BVHP area, and the Air District's response to the community's concerns; the origin of the maps presented; the operating status of the Recology facility, and its impact on the shelter for the unhoused; whether the Air District or the City of San Francisco was responsible for the issuance of permits for the Recology facility and the placement of the shelter for the unhoused, and the differences between land usage permitting and regulatory permitting.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

7. APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY EQUITY, HEALTH, AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2022 (ITEM 4)

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Due to lack of quorum, this Item could not be considered for approval, and was continued to the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

8. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Public comments were given by Dr. Raymond Tompkins, African-American Community Health Equity Council; LaDonna Williams, All Positives Possible; Maria Dominguez, Alameda County Public Health Department; and Lonnie Mason, First Generation Environmental Health & Economic
Development.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Director Gioia spoke of a tour of East Oakland that was led by Communities For a Better Environment, and the Office of Supervisor Miley, expressing his concern over the odor which came from the AB&I Foundry facility. He asked when that facility would be closing. He asked how the Air District is tracking the location of projects being planned around areas of pollution.

10. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. via webcast, teleconference, or Zoom, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas).

11. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairperson Jue adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

/S/ Luis Espino
Luis Espino
Acting Clerk of the Boards