

APPROVED MINUTES

**CITY OF MILPITAS
RECYCLING AND SOURCE REDUCTION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular meeting of Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission
Meeting Date: October 22, 2013
Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Place: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

- I. ROLL** Chair Blake called to order the Milpitas Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners Blake, Arthur, Chua, Inamdar, Gill, Salian and Ybarra and Staff Jeff Moneda, Leslie Stobbe and Elizabeth Koo were present.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** All
- III. SEATING OF ALTERNATES** Alternates #1 & #2 (Commissioners Inamdar & Chua) were seated.
- IV. MINUTES** Motion to approve minutes of the July 23 and August 29, 2013 meetings.
M/S: Arthur/Ybarra Ayes: All
- V. PUBLIC FORUM**
Michelle Manassau, Community Advisory Commissioner, invited the RSRAC commissioners to attend the next CAC meeting on November 6th to hear about their upcoming project.

Rob Means, recommended an environmental video called “Last Hours” on YouTube.

Kristal Caidoy, requested information about composting in Milpitas. Staff Stobbe provided an overview of the City-sponsored programs.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS** Public Works Director/City Engineer Jeff Moneda gave a brief introduction, background and current responsibilities of his current positions.
- VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT** None.
- VIII. AGENDA** Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.
M/S: Gill/Salian Ayes: All
- IX. NEW BUSINESS**
1. 60th Anniversary Family Day Discussion
Staff Koo announced that Council approved several 60th Anniversary Celebration events for 2014, including a “Family Day” on Sunday, January 26, 2014 in the Civic Center Plaza. The community event would include entertainment, children’s activities and informational tables. As a means of participating directly in this celebration, it has been suggested that each City commission participate by providing public outreach related to their programs. The RSRAC commissioners formed a subcommittee to focus on this effort and scheduled the first meeting to occur at noon on November 13th at City Hall.

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. Single-Use Bag Ordinance Discussion

Staff Stobbe provided a brief background on recent efforts which includes participation in San Mateo County's Environmental Impact report for an ordinance banning plastic bags in August 2012 and two Milpitas community meetings scheduled for October 21st and 23rd with intentional focus on residents and businesses respectively. Apart from the environmental benefits, the Water Board's trash load reduction mandates are the primary impetus in this effort. A brief question and answer period followed with Staff Stobbe encouraging commissioners to attend the November 19, 2013 City Council meeting and speak in regards to the draft ordinance.

2. Polystyrene (EPS) Containers Discussion

Staff Stobbe announced that the City of San Jose is inviting businesses and interested individuals to attend an open house on November 4th for the Food Ware Open House at the Roosevelt Community Center in San Jose. Attendees will learn about San Jose's Foam Food Container Ordinance and the possible impact(s) on businesses.

3. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Countywide Ordinance Discussion

Staff Koo provided an informational announcement that the County of Santa Clara is reviewing the possibility of a countywide EPR ordinance. EPR is the mandatory type of product stewardship which requires that the producer's responsibility for their product extends to post-consumer management of that product and its packaging. Products include common household items such as fluorescent lamps, batteries, syringes and prescription medicine. Because Milpitas might be affected by a potential countywide ordinance, staff will continue to monitor this item and return to the commission with further information.

XI. STATUS OF DIVISION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Election of Officers

XIII. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2014 at 6pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21pm.

M/S: Gill/Ybarra

Ayes: All