

**CITY OF MILPITAS
RECYCLING AND SOURCE REDUCTION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 27, 2015, 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM
455 E. CALAVERAS BLVD, MILPITAS CA 95035**

I. ROLL CALL

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2014 MEETING

V. PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the audience are invited to address the Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission on any subject not on tonight's agenda. Speakers must state their name and address for the Secretary's record, and limit their remarks to under three minutes. As an item not on the agenda, no response is required of City staff or the Commission; however, the Commission may place the item on the agenda for a future meeting.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

VIII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IX. NEW BUSINESS

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- 2. PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES PRESENTATION**

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- 1. PLASTIC BAG LEGISLATION UPDATE**

XI. STATUS OF DIVERSION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

XII. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XIII. ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

BACKGROUND: The existing RSRAC bylaws state that a Chair and Vice Chair are to be selected annually at the first meeting of the year for a term of one year. The Chair is responsible for calling to order and presiding over all sessions. The Vice Chair assumes the Chair's duties in his/her absence. Alternates may not be nominated for either position as there is the ongoing possibility they may not be seated at every meeting depending upon member attendance.

RECOMMENDATION: Conduct election of Chair and Vice Chair positions.

2. PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES PRESENTATION

BACKGROUND: At the last meeting, the commissioners received a presentation from Republic Services regarding their operations/services provided to Milpitas residents and businesses. At the next meeting in January, the commissioners requested a presentation from the Public Works Department regarding operations/services provided by the City. At the end of the presentation, there will be a brief question and answer session.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive presentation.

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. PLASTIC BAG LEGISLATION UPDATE

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 270 will ban single-use plastic grocery bags in California at all large grocery stores and pharmacies effective July 1, 2015 and allow a 10-cent charge for each compostable (paper) bag used by the consumer. The ban will extend to all remaining small grocers, convenience and liquor stores effective July 1, 2016. SB 270 requires retailers providing paper bags to have at least 40% recycled content and charge no less than 10 cents (which has been determined to be the average cost to retailers for providing the bags). Consumers purchasing groceries under the state's food assistance program (WIC/SNAP) are exempt from the charge. SB 270 is authored by State Senators Alex Padilla (D-Pacoima), Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles) and Ricardo Lara (D-Bell Gardens). SB 270 passed the State Senate on August 29, 2014 on a 22 - 15 vote; and the State Assembly on a 45 - 31 vote. It was the 5th attempt to pass a statewide ban on plastic bags in California.

At the April 28 meeting staff will present an outreach plan geared towards reminding large grocery store and pharmacy managers of the requirements under SB270 before July 1, 2015. A separate plan will be created to reach small grocers, convenience and liquor stores before July 1, 2016. Once the bag ban begins in fiscal year 2015-16, the City will be able to claim a 6% trash load diversion towards its goal of 70% reduction by July 2017.

RECOMMENDATION: Note receipt and file.

XI. STATUS OF DIVERSION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Highlights of November 2014 – January 2015 program activities:

- a. Single Family Recycling & Waste Reduction: Submit articles for the Winter 2015 Recreation Activity Guide; update holiday collection messages and website information as needed.

- b. Multi-family Recycling & Waste Reduction: Continue focus on targeted complexes including customer calls and site visits. Completed tree recycling information for property managers and a unit mailing of the program brochure.
- c. Street Sweeping: Completed and mailed the 2015 Street Sweeping Calendar.
- d. Commercial Recycling & Waste Reduction: Completed and mailed annual newsletter and recycling services brochure to all customers. Completed updated information packet for property managers including recycling services flyer, and “move-in” and “move-out” flyers with disposal and recycling information. Continue account management including customer calls and walk-thru audits and site checks.
- e. Holiday Source Reduction: Placed “Choose Less” advertising in *The Milpitas Post*, City website and KMLP-15.

RECOMMENDATION: Note receipt and file.

XII. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XIII. ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Commission is April 28, 2015 at 6 pm.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT