

APPROVED MINUTES

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

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

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- I. ROLL** Chair Blake called to order the Milpitas Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission at 6:08 p.m. Commissioners Blake, Arora, Arthur, Gill and Salian and Council liaison Councilmember Montano were present, as were Staff Elizabeth Koo and Leslie Stobbe.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** All
- III. SEATING OF ALTERNATES** Alternate #1 (Commissioner Gill) was seated.
- IV. MINUTES** Motion to approve minutes of the October 23, 2012 meeting.  
M/S: Arthur/Gill Ayes: All
- V. PUBLIC FORUM** Rob Means, 1421 Yellowstone, requested that the Council pursue faster action on environmental issues within their purview.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS** Liaison Councilmember Montano gave a brief self-introduction.
- VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT** None.
- VIII. AGENDA** Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.  
M/S: Arthur/Gill Ayes: All
- IX. NEW BUSINESS**
- 1. Election of Officers*  
Chair Blake was reelected to his current position and Commissioner Ybarra was newly elected to the vice-chair position for calendar year 2013.
- 2. Single-Use Bag Ordinance: Informational Report & Update*  
Staff Stobbe presented an overview of the commission's action of April 28, 2011 to recommend a single-use bag ban to the Milpitas City Council, continuance of an October 4, 2011 presentation to Council due to a suit filed against Los Angeles County, *Hilex Poly vs. Los Angeles County*, and subsequent staff presentation to Council on April 17, 2012. At this meeting, Council approved participation as a study area in an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) conducted by San Mateo County (SMC), and directed staff to monitor and evaluate this SMC's ordinance development. From April through September 2012, City staff advertised and conducted a community meeting held on May 3, 2012, received public inquiry about the EIR, and monitored EIR development. SMC Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the EIR on October 23, 2012. Staff brought this information to this following RSRAC meeting to advise this Commission of EIR passage and outcomes. Of the six cities in Santa Clara County participating as study areas in the SMC EIR (Campbell, Cupertino, Los Altos, Los Gatos, Mountain View, and Milpitas), two have adopted plastic bag bans (Cupertino and Mountain View). Staff further noted that Milpitas is bordered by

two cities that also ban plastic bags (San Jose and Fremont). Staff Stobbe also provided background on a nexus with the Santa Clara Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention Program plan to meet a progressively stringent trash reduction goal as required through the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit. City of Milpitas staff has begun to review implementing additional or enhanced trash management actions to reduce impacts to San Francisco Bay Area waterways. One of these actions may involve plastic bag trash reduction measures. A brief question and answer period about the staff presentation and possible next steps followed. Commissioner Gill requested this item be included on the next agenda.

**X. STATUS OF DIVISION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

**XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Single-Use Bag Ordinance

**XII. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2013 at 6pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm.

M/S: Arora/Gill

Ayes: All