# COUNTYWIDE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ CRRA San Diego Chapter and Zero Waste San Diego Public Meeting MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm.

This meeting will be virtual

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## Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Approval, Minutes October 2021
- 3. Chair's Report
  - NRC and ZWUSA Conferences
  - Symposium
- 4. Staff Reports
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  - LWV
- 5. Public Comments and Communication
- 6. Regional Planning Issues
- 7. Legislative Update
- 8. Roundtable
- 9. Adjournment

#### Minutes

WHEN: Thursday, October 14, 2021, from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

- Welcome and Introductions: Debbie Dodson (Carton Council), Bob Hill (EDCO), Beryl Flom (League of Women Voters San Diego), Chase Wiegand (City of San Diego), Ellyn Law (County of San Diego), Eric Wolff (County of San Diego), Stephen Mergener (Scalvage), Nicky Kullback (SCS Engineers), Rick Anthony (Chair)
- 2. Approval, Minutes Sept 2021 Approved, no changes.

## 3. Chair's Report

- The National Recycling Coalition is hosting the National Zero Waste Virtual Conference December 8-9.
- Zero Waste USA continues work on the Cool Now campaign to divert organic materials from the landfill.
- Zero Waste International Alliance now has affiliates in Canada and Costa Rica.
- Zero Waste Global Calls are held the third Friday of every month.
- Richard Anthony Associates continues to work on recycling programs for Carlsbad school districts and has had success in reducing fees for waste service by right-sizing bins.

#### 4. Staff Reports

- City of San Diego
  - The City continues to plan for upcoming SB 1383 requirements including rolling out food waste collection programs at City facilities beginning January 1.
     Additional plans include utilizing new routing software for the Collections Division and hiring sanitation drivers.
  - The City continues the multifamily complex sort studies and will conduct a third waste sort in November.

#### County of San Diego

- The County posted an RFP through <u>BuyNet</u> for organic materials management and composting services that closes on October 22.
- The San Diego County Board of Supervisors voted to start the process of allowing micro-enterprise home kitchen operations throughout the county. Staff will be developing options for future Board consideration.
- The County continues to plan for upcoming SB 1383 requirements.

#### EDCO

- o EDCO completed updates to the Lemon Grove facility.
- EDCO continues to feed the anaerobic digestors at the Escondido facility.
- EDCO's Buyback centers are open and operational but noted a decrease in volume of materials being brought in from customers.
- o EDCO is also gearing up for upcoming SB 1383 requirements.

## Zero Waste San Diego

 Zero Waste San Diego held a successful Fixit Clinic at the Solana Center which resulted in a 40% repair rate. Non-repairable items were collected as electronic waste. The next Fixit Clinic is scheduled for November 6 in La Mesa.

#### Carton Council

CRRA K-12 Technical Council is accepting applications for teacher's mini-grants.
 Twenty, \$100 grants will be distributed to California teachers to help them reduce waste in their classroom. <u>Applications</u> are due November 1.

## • League of Women Voters San Diego

- The League of Women Voters continues the effort to repeal the People's Ordinance following the Environment Committee discussion on the fiscal impact analysis of the Ordinance.
- The League is hosting the virtual Imagine a Day Without Water event on October 21. Details are posted on the League of Women Voters San Diego website.

#### Sierra Club

- The Sierra Club Zero Waste Subcommittee is interested in programs to promote electric-powered leaf blowers and addressing topics such as nuclear waste.
- The Sierra Club also featured an article on plastic bags and bottle caps in a recent issue of the Hi Sierran.
- 5. Public Comments and Communication no discussion.
- 6. Regional Planning Issues no report.

## 7. Legislative Update

- AB 332, Hazardous waste: treated wood waste: management standards (approved by the Governor 8/31/2021) – would require a person managing treated wood waste to comply with the hazardous waste control laws or the management standards established in the bill.
- AB 881, Recycling: plastic waste: export (approved by the Governor 10/5) would make
  the export out of the country (Canada and Mexico excluded) of a mixture of certain
  plastics considered "disposal" unless the mixture includes only certain plastics destined
  for separate recycling and satisfies other specified requirements, in which case that
  export would constitute diversion through recycling.
- AB 962, California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act: reusable beverage containers (approved by Governor 10/5) – would authorize the department to authorize a processor to satisfy that cancellation requirement by washing a reusable beverage container or transferring a reusable beverage container for subsequent washing to an approved processor.

- AB 1067, Beverage containers (failed deadline) would revise the beverage container recycling goal to establish beverage container recycling rate goals of 80% by 2025 to 90% by 2035.
- AB 1201, Solid waste: plastic products: labeling: compostability and biodegradability (approved by the Governor 10/5) Current law defines "plastic product" for these purposes to mean a product made of plastic, whether alone or in combination with other material. This bill would repeal that definition of "plastic product" and replace certain references to "plastic product" in those and related provisions with "product," includes, but is not limited to, a consumer product, a package or packaging component, a thin plastic sheet film, and a food or beverage container.
- AB 1276, Single-use food accessories and standard condiments (approved by the Governor 10/5) – would prohibit a food facility from providing any single-use food accessory or standard condiment to a consumer unless requested by the consumer.
- <u>AB 1311,</u> Recycling: beverage containers (approved by the Governor 10/5) would apply specified provisions applicable to reverse vending machines under the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act to bag drop recycling centers.
- AB 1454, The California Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Act (failed deadline) —
  would allow the department to designate a regional convenience zone serving up to 5
  adjacent unserved supermarket-based zones based on specified factors. The bill would
  require the department to certify bag drop redemption programs, as defined, and
  dealers under certain conditions and would require those certified entities to be eligible
  for handling fees and processing payments, as provided, thereby making an
  appropriation.
- SB 244, Lithium-ion batteries: illegal disposal: fire prevention (vetoed by Governor 10/7)

   would prohibit a person from knowingly disposing of a lithium-ion battery in a container that is intended for the collection of solid waste or recyclable materials, unless the container is designated for collection of batteries.
- SB 343, Environmental advertising: recycling symbol: recyclability: products and packaging (approved by Governor 10/5)— would further declare it is the public policy of the state that claims related to the recyclability of a product or packaging be truthful and that consumers deserve accurate and useful information related to how to properly handle the end of life of a product or packaging.
- <u>SB 451</u>, Beverage container recycling: pilot program (failed deadline 9/10) would authorize CalRecycle to establish a recycling pilot program for the collection and recycling of beverage containers.
- SB 619, Organic waste: reduction regulations: local jurisdiction compliance (approved by Governor 10/5) would authorize a local jurisdiction facing continuing violations of SB 1383 regulations that commence during the 2022 calendar year of those regulations to submit to the department no later than March 1, 2022, a notification of intent to comply, as prescribed.

#### 8. Roundtable

• Save the date for the next Zero Waste Symposium on February 8, 2022.

## 9. Adjournment