



**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**September 18, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Hybrid
Virtual Meeting/In-person**

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present	Others Present
Quinnton Austin Zohir Chowdhury Jesse Conner Cliff Hanna Kevin Sabellico Scott Snyder LaRosa Watson	Toby Roy Mike Vizzier	Ana Becker, DEHQ Heather Buonomo, DEHQ John-Ross Glueck, DEHQ Ryan Johnson, DEHQ Joann Lee, DEHQ Marcus Mathis, DEHQ Zoraida Moreno Deborah Mosley, DEHQ Dr. Seema Shah, PHS Steven Tamayo, DEHQ	

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:42 a.m., with seven active EHQAB members present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW EHQAB MEMBER – INFORMATIONAL ITEM

Quinnton Austin, Retail Food, Seat 4

III. STATEMENT (JUST CAUSE) AND/OR CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY (EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES) BY A BOARD MEMBER (POSSIBLE ACTION, IF APPLICABLE)

MOTION TO APPROVE “Just Cause” for Board Member Quinnton Austin – Board member LaRosa, 2nd Board member Hanna.

ALL IN FAVOR – 6-0-0

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES – ACTION ITEM

MOTION TO APPROVE THE July 24, 2024, MINUTES – Board member Snyder, 2nd Board member, LaRosa.

ALL IN FAVOR – 6-0-1 (Board Member Hanna abstained)

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

VI. TIJUANA RIVER VALLEY SEWAGE CRISIS (TJRV) PRESENTATION - INFORMATIONAL ITEM

Seema Shah, MD, MPH, Interim Deputy Public Health Officer, Public Health Services and Heather Buonomo, Interim Director of Environmental Health and Quality gave a presentation overview on the Tijuana River Valley Sewage Crisis.

Board members had comments and questions regarding the source of the issue and possible solutions. DEHQ staff referred the Board to the United States Environmental Protection Agency Website.

VII. UPDATES FROM DEHQ EXECUTIVE OFFICE - INFORMATIONAL ITEM

Steven Tamayo, Deputy Director

- **EHQAB Sunset Review Survey**
DEHQ recommended EHQAB members the continuance of the Environmental Health and Quality Advisory Board. EHQAB members took action and voted unanimously to recommend their advisory board continue and for DEHQ staff relay this in the Clerk of the Board's survey.
- **EHQAB updated website**
The EHQAB website was revised and reviewed with board members. The County is streamlining all websites to be more accessible and compatible with viewing on mobile devices.
- **Local Area Management Program (LAMP)**
The second reading of the ordinance updates were approved by the Board of Supervisors on September 11, 2024. This will be heard by the CA Regional Water Quality Control Board on November 13, 2024.
- **CAO Leadership Team Announcement**
Several key positions in County Leadership have been selected. Amy Harbert will be returning back to our Dept. in October.
 - Caroline Smith, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer (ACAO)
 - Joan Bracci, Chief Financial Officer
 - Deputy Chief Administrative Officers (DCAO) of the 4 operational groups
 - Dahvia Lynch, DCAO, Land Use and Environment Group
 - Andrew Strong, DCAO, Public Safety Group
 - Kimberly Giargina, DSW, DCAO, Health and Human Services Agency
 - Brian Albright, DCAO, Finance and General Government Group
- **Vector Control Program, Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), John-Ross Glueck**
DEHQ certified the Final PEIR, which allows the DEHQ Vector Control Program to incorporate new technologies, innovations and approaches in the field to further protect public health..
- **DEHQ Vacancies Report**
We currently have a 5 ½ percent rate. We're actively filling positions. Currently recruiting for the Hazardous Materials Division Chief. Zoraida Moreno will be the Acting Chief, Hazardous Materials Division.
- **Upcoming Board Letters, Deborah Mosley, Deputy Director**
 - 10/23/24 and 12/11/24 - Local Emergency Review. State law requires that the Board of Supervisors consider a continuation of a state of emergency every 60 days.
 - 10/23/24 - Sunset Review for Title 6
 - 10/23/24 - Gifts and Donations
- **Legislative Highlights and Program Updates (DEHQ Chiefs/Program Coordinator)**
The below bills were discussed.
 - Hazardous Materials Division Programs, John-Ross Glueck
 - SB 1251, Mosquito abatement Inspections
 - Food Water and Housing Division Programs, Joann Lee
 - SB 1190, Mobilehomes: Solar Energy Systems
 - Food Water and Housing Division Programs, Ryan Johnson
 - AB 1775, Cannabis: Retail Preparation, Sale, and Consumption of Non-cannabis Food and Beverage Products

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – 9:51 A.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Board member Watson, 2nd Board member Chowdhury.

ALL IN FAVOR – 6-0-0

Next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 23, 2024, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

5500 Overland Avenue
Check-in at Front Desk Counter, Suite 170
1st Floor, Beach and Bay Conference Room 123
San Diego, CA 92123

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