

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

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 12, 2023 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm

**This meeting will be in-person with the option for virtual attendance**

County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
5510 Overland Ave  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Conference Room #241  
San Diego, CA 92123

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**Submit Agenda Items to Chair Rick Anthony and County Staff Steve Weihe 2 weeks prior to the next meeting:**

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**Agenda**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval, Minutes September 2023
- Chair's Report
- Staff Reports
  - Cities
  - County
  - Haulers
  - Non-Profits
  - LWV
- Public Comments and Communication
- Regional Planning Issues
- Legislative Update
- Roundtable
- Adjournment

## Minutes

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 14, from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Chair
    - Ric Anthony-Zero Waste San Diego
  - Guests
    - Steve Weihe, County of San Diego
    - Bob Hill, EDCO
    - Derek Lam, City of San Diego
    - Steven Mergener, Scalvage Bros.
    - Helen and Ron Kagan, residents/UCSD
    - Beryl Flom, League of Women Voters
    - Roland Harpin, City of San Diego
- Approval, Minutes August 2023-approved
- Chair's Report
  - Connected with Asst. to Director of General Assembly at UN on zero waste
  - Working on a petition to get UN to recognize definition of zero waste
  - CRRRA conference
    - Had 900 attendees
- Wasting Fee
  - Would only be charged on trash loads at \$10/ton
  - \$30 million approximation based on 3 million tons disposed
  - Franchise haulers and self-haulers would pay the fee
  - Stop Waste was noted as an agency that has already implemented something similar
    - Their landfill tonnage is decreasing even as their population grows
  - Who would collect and spend the fee?
    - Landfills would remit the fees to a JPA or enterprise fund (like Stop Waste)
  - What would the funds be used for?
    - Public education and information (recycling, organic waste and zero waste) as well as to help universities train sustainability directors on resource management
  - Chair will author a resolution for CAC to accept or reject
    - Resolution will then be sent to the Sierra Club
  - Chair asked about past efforts to implement any similar programs to a "wasting fee"
- Attendees discussed
  - Potential future options for the CAC group or a possible break-off group focused on zero waste
  - Chair suggested the group move away from "integrated waste management" to zero waste and high diversion
- Staff Reports
  - City of San Diego
    - Mattress recycling program is up and running
      - <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/residential/mattresses>
      - Near east entrance by the HHW facility before the fee booth
      - Will accept up to 10 units per trip for free
      - Is fee booth redirecting loads with mattresses to turn around and recycle them?
        - Derek will check and report back
    - Final green bin roll out is scheduled for 9/26-9/29 (Mission Beach)
      - After Mission Beach, all single family residences in the City will now have green/organic waste bins
    - PB Library is holding an organic waste recycling workshop on 10/28 from 11-12 PM
      - <https://forms.gle/E64naTzUs2x6kpHQA>
    - Story Time with a City Trash/Recycle truck is returning to libraries
      - <https://sandiego.librarymarket.com/>
    - Website updates in progress to help streamline information
    - What Goes Where has been revised
      - [https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/what\\_goes\\_where\\_guide\\_english.pdf](https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/what_goes_where_guide_english.pdf)
    - School bus tours with landfill/HHW/Greenery will be resuming
    - Planning holiday messaging
      - Derek will follow up with social media team on combined outreach around food waste/organics
      - New Organics Processing Facility

- Yard trimmings with palms and fibrous plants as well as source separated loads from landscapers (palm only) will be accepted
    - Self-haul loads will be accepted for yard waste only (no food scraps)
    - There will be a separate intake area for self-haulers
  - Attendees discussed
    - Pairing trash/recycling at beaches with signage/lids
      - City is working on pairing bins where they can
    - The importance of signage on public space bins
    - Is the Greenery able to sell/giveaway all of their generated mulch and compost?
      - No but they are actively working this
    - Webinar from Zero Waste USA (COOL Now) <https://coolnow.org/2023/07/the-alchemy-of-composting/>
    - How public educational recycling documents get reviewed
      - The City reviews internally
- County of San Diego
  - Shared organic waste recycling tips and best practices
    - Freezing food scraps
    - Adding them to the collection bin the night before or morning of collection
    - Wrapping them in paper
    - All of the above
  - Continuing SB 1383/organic waste recycling outreach and waivers to residents/multi-families and businesses
- EDCO
  - Inbound recycling tonnage is down
  - Contamination is hovering around 20%
  - Demand for compost is high but transportation costs are also high
  - City of Del Mar shredding event this Saturday 9/16 (free for customers)
    - Mulch giveaway, e waste and Goodwill donations- <https://www.delmar.ca.us/Calendar.aspx?EID=3575>
  - More CRV items have been noted in the recycling stream
  - Digestate from AD process gets sent to a compost facility
  - Liquid fraction from AD gets reintroduced back into AD process or shipped for land application
  - "Dirt" from AD process goes to Mountain Meadow mushroom farm
    - Soil/dirt
- League of Women Voters San Diego-no report
- Carton Council-no report
- Zero Waste San Diego
  - ZW Symposium is next February and there is a call for speakers
  - Fix It Clinics
    - 9/23 Lakeside Library
    - <https://zerowastesandiego.org/event/sd-fixit-clinic-at-lakeside/>
    - 10/7 Fallbrook Library <https://zerowastesandiego.org/event/sd-fixit-clinic-at-fallbrook/>
- Sierra Club (via Ric)
  - 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sierra Club celebration
    - Working on making this zero waste event
    - Sunday 10/1 at San Dieguito County Park- <https://sandiegosierraclub.org/75th-anniversary-picnic-in-the-park/>
- I Love A Clean San Diego-no report
- Public Comments and Communication
  - Attendees suggested that additional non-profits like Solana Center and I Love A Clean San Diego should consider attending future meetings
  - Ron Kagan
    - Has developed a recycling app funded through private donations
      - Seeks input and feedback from the group on look/functions
- Regional Planning Issues-N/A
  - LUEG (Land Use and Environmental Group) office are still reviewing the Capacity Study which will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors once final review is complete
- Legislative Update
  - [Legislation | CPSC \(calpsc.org\)](#)
  - [Current Legislation \(cawrecycles.org\)](#)

- [AB 2 – Ward – Recycling: solar photovoltaic modules](#)
  - **EPR for solar panels.** Last amended on 06/28/23. On Senate Floor, but now a 2-Year bill.
- [SB 560 – Laird – Solid waste: gas cylinders: stewardship program](#)
  - **EPR program for compressed gas cylinders.** Last amended on 03/22/23. In Senate Approps, but now a 2-Year bill.
- [SB 707 - Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023](#)
  - **EPR program for textiles.** Last amended on 07/03/23. In Assembly Natural Resources, but now a 2-Year bill.
- [AB 1347 – Ting – Solid waste: paper waste: proofs of purchase](#)
  - “Skip the Slip” receipts by request only. Passed Senate Approps. on 8/21/23.
- [AB 1628 – McKinnor – Microfiber filtration](#)
  - Would require microfiber filtration on washing machines sold after 1/1/2029. Passed the Senate on 9/13/23.
- [SB 244 – Eggman – Right to Repair Act](#)
  - The bill would require manufacturers of consumer electronics and some appliances to provide replacement parts, diagnostic information and service manuals to consumers and third-party repair businesses. Passed the Assembly 9/13/23; off to Governor’s desk for signature.
- Roundtable-none
- Adjournment