

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

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 14, 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: [RicAnthony@aol.com](mailto:RicAnthony@aol.com) and [Steve.Weihe@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Steve.Weihe@sdcounty.ca.gov)**

**Agenda**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval, Minutes August 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, August 10, from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Chair
    - Ric Anthony-Zero Waste San Diego
  - Guests
    - Steve Weihe, County of San Diego
    - Stephen Mergener, Zero Waste San Diego
    - Debbie Dodson, Carton Council
    - Beryl Flow, League of Women Voters
    - Petra Beals, SD 350
    - Jenna Roripaugh, Agriservice
- Approval, Minutes July 2023-approved
- Chair's Report
  - CRRRA conference
    - <https://www.crra.com/conference> August 13-16<sup>th</sup> in Burlingame, CA
    - Over 1,000 attendees registered (in-person and online)
  - Chair proposed a motion (received a second from Stephen Mergener, none opposed)
    - Recommend a "Wasting Fee" be imposed on every ton of trash
    - Name change from Integrated Waste Management Committee to Zero Waste Citizen's Advisory Committee
    - Will place on the agenda for next meeting for a vote
- Staff Reports
  - City of San Diego
    - City green bin rollout
      - We have completed our rollout with the exception of Mission Beach. All customers, except Mission Beach, have received their green bins. There may be some occurrences of people who we might have missed, but we will be able to handle those as they come up.

- Mission Beach Town Council reached out to our leadership and we'll be accommodating their request of postponing the green bin rollout until after Labor Day.
  - New education and outreach videos
    - Just completed filming for new Residential "What Goes Where" video with marketing contractor Tetra Tech
    - We plan to have a professionally-produced training video specifically for businesses and how to comply with the City Recycling Ordinance
  - Mattress Recycling Program now open at the Miramar Landfill right next to the HHW facility
    - Just did a photoshoot and are beginning the promotion of the program
    - New webpage up soon with information on this program
    - Residents can now bring mattresses and box springs for proper recycling and disposal
  - After green bin rollout
    - Our next move after the green bin rollout is reviewing an in-depth communications plan created by our contractor Tetra Tech
    - The goal and overall question is how do we keep the momentum going?
    - We also have a goal and priority to combat the misinformation that is currently circulating on social media and combat the negative press on the program
    - Part of this plan is to revise our entire recycling programs homepage and subsequent tangent webpages that promote our programs to be more user-friendly so it is easier for people to find the information they are looking for
- County of San Diego
  - Continuing to review and process self-haul applications for recycling as well as onsite organic waste (organics waiver) and de minimis waiver applications (commercial businesses)
  - Site visits to assist with multi-family and commercial properties with the organic waste recycling roll out continue
  - Hiring for Recycling Specialist II

- Shared the promotional of Natalia King to the Office of Sustainability and Environmental Justice
- Attendees discussed
  - If the City's new organics composting facility would accept palm/fibrous yard trimmings from self-haul loads
  - How quickly compost and mulch gets used/bought/picked up from the Miramar Greenery
- EDCO-no report
- League of Women Voters San Diego-no report
- Sierra Club (through Chair, Ric Anthony)-
  - Presented the idea of "wasting fee" Sierra Club committee (black bin) to help build standardized education and market development
  - Working on exchanging gas equipment for electric ones for landscapers
- Carton Council
  - Will be moderating a session on school recycling along with Amy from I Love A Clean San Diego (ILACSD) at CRRRA
  - Still has \$1K-\$5K grants available for carton recycling
    - Explain how the grant funds would impact carton recycling
    - Better opportunity to be funded if project can be implemented in multiple classrooms or last through multiple school years
    - The funds can go directly to a non-profit who could assist with implementation
    - Example of funding
      - \$1K would be an appropriate ask for a classroom pilot program
      - \$5K would be an appropriate ask for a multiple classrooms/multiyear program
  - Debbie can be available for tech assistance at the schools to help implement carton recycling
- Zero Waste San Diego
  - Fix It Clinics are going expanding
    - Running 2x/month for next 6+ months
    - Working with ILACSD on clothing swaps/reuse

- Asked about starting to use County media to help push attendance to these events
    - 9/9 Bonita Library- <https://sdfixitclinic.org/event/sd-fixit-clinic-chula-vista-bonita-sunnyside-branch-library/>
    - 9/23 in Lakeside (link pending)
      - Started applying for grants
  - I Love A Clean San Diego-no report
  - Public Comments and Communication-N/A
- Regional Planning Issues-N/A
- Legislative Update
  - [SB 707](#); Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023 – This bill would establish a stewardship program for the collection and recycling of any apparel, textile, or textile article that is unsuitable for reuse by a consumer in its current condition.
  - [SB 560](#); Compressed gas cylinder EPR
  - [AB 2](#); Solar PV modules
    - EPR or consumer fee to fund back end recycling, passed Assembly 66-4, off to Senate EQ Committee
  - [AB 660](#)-Food date labeling
    - Communicate quality and safety dates
    - Eliminate “sell by”
    - Passed Assembly 63-16, in Senate Committee on health
  - [AB 1347](#)-Skip the Slip
    - Passed Assembly 49-17, in Senate Committees
  - [SB 244](#); Right to Repair Act
    - to affect the diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of the product
    - Passed Senate 38-0, in Assembly Appropriations
  - Regulations/Rule Making
    - [AB 2440](#); Battery recycling bill-regulations will start soon
    - [SB 1215](#); battery embedded products
    - [SB 54](#); Single use plastics/packaging bill
  - [Legislation | CPSC \(calpsc.org\)](#)
  - [Current Legislation \(cawrecycles.org\)](#)

- Roundtable-none
- Adjournment