

**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIDWAY CITY
SANITARY DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY
14451 CEDARWOOD AVENUE
WESTMINSTER, CA 92683**

December 11, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

President Cobo called the adjourned regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Midway City Sanitary District to order at 14451 Cedarwood Avenue, Westminster, California on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 4:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Al P. Krippner
Joy L. Neugebauer
Frank Cobo
Margie L. Rice
Tyler Diep

OTHERS AT MEETING:

Ken Robbins, General Manager
Robert Housley, Finance/HR Director
Tom Nixon, District Counsel
Nick Castro, Dir. Operations/Safety
Danielle Gerardo, Board Secretary
Jeff Snow, V.P. Rainbow Environmental
Dean Ruffridge, Senior V.P. CR&R

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION

Director Rice led the Pledge of Allegiance. Director Neugebauer gave the Invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Consider Attendance to the Van's Skate Park Groundbreaking Ceremony in Huntington Beach, CA on December 13, 2012

B. Consider Attendance Rainbow Environmental Service's Holiday Luncheon on December 20, 2012

A motion was made by Director Diep, seconded by Director Rice to approve the consent calendar. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

A. AB341 Commercial Recycling Workshop – Presentation by Rainbow Environmental Services

GM Robbins opened by stating that AB341 went into effect on July 1, 2012 and it demands that commercial operations which produce more than four cubic yards of waste per week must have a recycling program. Rainbow and CR&R are both contracted for the commercial division of the District and have put together a plan to get to the 75% recycling goal by the year 2020. He then introduced Jeff Snow from Rainbow Environmental and Dean Ruffridge from CR&R who would be presenting their plan to the Board for possible future adoption.

Jeff Snow began by stating that Rainbow and CR&R collaborated on the commercial recycling presentation that they would be presenting to the Board. He conferred with District staff while preparing the plan and stated that he hoped to convey the key points of the program to the Board in the hopes of consideration and potential further approval. He explained that AB32 is about reducing carbon dioxide and carbon equivalent emissions by 20% per year with a goal of reducing the State of California's emission by the year 2020 back to 1990 levels. AB341 is about attacking the largest portion of the waste stream. Commercial and multi-family unit waste generation make up approximately 60-70% of the overall waste generated, so although residential recycling is beneficial, it will not get California to the 75% unless the commercial sector is addressed.

The new State requirement mandates that any business generating four cubic yards or more of waste weekly, multi-family units with five or more dwellings and more than one pick up per week must have a recycling program in order to comply. Rainbow and CR&R involved local businesses and asked them key questions regarding recycling and concluded that they were all ready for a recycling program, would prefer the commingled system, would voluntarily participate if their costs remain the same, all like the concept of being more "green" than they are currently, and being recognized for it. The results of these findings led to two pilot research programs. The first is for organic food waste at the Westminster Albertson's supermarket and the other is for commingled

recyclables at Lexus of Westminster. Albertson's diverted over 100,000 pounds of food waste - in just a few months, and the waste was then converted into organic soil and sold back to customers in their store. Mr. Snow then explained the different options available to commercial customers – they can source separate, they can self haul to a State authorized recycling facility or continue to commingle and have a certified MRF go through their waste and do the separating for them. There will be financial incentives for those participating in the source separating option in the form of recognition for their business.

Based on the pilot, they have a source separating program that they would like the Board to consider and approve for the District with financial incentive. He did not have a rate schedule to give to the Board at this time. Upon approval of the program, Rainbow's environmental sustainability representative will start getting in touch and making appointments with the District's largest business owners and multi-family complexes and working their way down to the smaller businesses and complexes. He then explained the Environmental Sustainability Partnership (ESP) which is a recognition program designed to promote their business' green image. They believe that with robust participation, that they can divert as much as an additional 10,000 tons of material from the landfill that are going there currently to preserving and recycling those resources which equates to 170,000 trees worth of carbon sequestration, 94,000 cars and their emissions for an entire month taken off the road, 130,000 homes powered for a day, 70 million gallons of fresh water conserved annually and almost ½ million gallons of petroleum would be preserved through this specific program through the District.

Director Diep left the meeting at 4:49 P.M.

Mr. Snow concluded by stating that there are ten direct benefits to the District by participating in the program, including reducing landfills and air pollution and the preservation of natural resources and the planet as a whole. He thanked staff and Dean Ruffridge from CR&R for all their help and wished the Board a happy holiday.

BOARD CONCERNS/COMMENTS

Director Rice stated that she enjoyed the presentation very much.

Director Neugebauer stated that she noticed that the area behind Albertson's looks much cleaner than it used to and GM Robbins stated that it is probably due to the lack of liquids seeping out of the trash because of the new green waste container.

GM/STAFF CONCERNS/COMMENTS

GM Robbins stated that staff will have a list for CR&R and Rainbow for deliverables that the District will need before final approval and legal counsel will need to review it prior to adoption, so it may be few meetings before it can be finalized and brought back to the Board for approval.

GM Robbins stated that the Board needs to update their website bios.

ADJOURNMENT

President Cobo adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:07 P.M.

Margie Rice, Secretary