

Regular Community Environmental Advisory Commission Meeting of June 6, 2002.

FINAL ACTION MINUTES

- I. **Roll Call: Present** - MacKusick, Clear, Krumme, Luten, Moret, Wood, Chatterjee.
Absent: Bianco, Caseber

Chair, MacKusick. **Vice Chair**, Bianco. **Secretary**, N. Al-Hadithy. **Aide**, J. Tulloch

II. Report From Chair:

Building Height limits omitted from agenda. Battery memo forwarded to Solid Waste Commission. Inform Commission about "California Connected" including CEAC on their list of government/community programs.

III. Announcements from Commissioners:

- **LA Wood** - letter from Kate Bernier (distributed). Request commission arrange for Air Resource Board to present before CEAC. Participation in county environmental education programs.
- **Robert Clear** - is it possible to invite people to participate in Building Height Limit discussion.
- **Leuren Moret** - Writing report to United Nations Human Rights Commission on subject of particulate matter. Would like to do presentation before the commission.

V. Comments from the Public:

- **Gene Bernardi, Committee to Minimize Toxic Waste (CMTW)** - Address Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) waste treatability studies and radioactive waste shipment. Lab may consider burning mercury. Item on City Council agenda. Is it safer to ship out National Tritium Labeling Facility (NTLF) legacy radioactive hazardous waste or to let it decay in place?
- **Robin Wendt, LBNL Environmental Health & Safety Deputy** - Oversee NTLF treatability study and closure. Did not ask Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for treat authority. Provided notice to initiate treat. Not initiate Mediated Electrochemical Oxidation (MEO) or Bio-degradation. No plans to treat mercury waste. NTLF not do anymore labeling. (Wood request National Environmental Policy Act and California Environmental Quality Act documentation for comment)
- **Terry Powell, LBNL** - Questions to LBNL have been addressed in letter distributed.
- **Kathryn Swift, Bicycle Friendly Berkeley Coalition (BFBC), & East Bay Bicycle Coalition** - Endorse proposed Ferry program on behalf of BFBC. Respond to statements by La Force.
- **Pamela Sihvola, CMTW** - Questions pertaining to NTLF closure. Are there updates to the December Draft plan? Request CEAC receive new appendices. Regarding ferry, it is important aspect of Bay Area transportation.

Martin Bourque, Ecology Center - request CEAC go before City Council to require City trucks to use biodiesel. Proposed resolution presented.

Paul Kamen - Recommendations regarding ferry service to the Berkeley or Albany Waterfront.

Sara Stern Citizens for the Eastshore State Park- Speak on water quality issues relating to ferry. Urge CEAC to oppose ferry resolution.

Norman La Force, Sierra Club - Speak on ferry issue. Address problems with the ferry service and problems with subsidy.

VI. Toxics Management Division Staff Report

Harrison Park Air Monitoring on Web show higher levels than expected. Dioxin Taskforce diesel proposal for municipalities to consider. City Council recieved City Manager support of enforcement.

VII. Action

• Wood requests Transfer Station Air study to reflect Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS) and transitional housing. Also continue air monitoring and ask parks to consider funding beyond 12 month period.

VIII. Discussion/Action

- Add 5 Minutes to Martin Bourque Presentation. PASS
- Remove treatability study from agenda/discussion (M/S/C Wood/Chatterjee. For: Wood, Moret. Against: MacKusick, Luten, Clear, Krumme. Absent: Bianco, Caseber. FAIL)
- Approve Minutes as amended (M/S/C Chatterjee/Clear. MacKusick, Clear, Chatterjee, Luten, Krumme. Abstain: Wood, Moret. Absent: Bianco, Caseber. PASS)
- CEAC advise City Council to examine both the ferry and park proposals. CEAC prefers to have parks/wetlands development. (M/S/C Luten/Krumme. For: MacKusick, Clear, Krumme, Luten, Moret. Agtains: Wood. Absent: Bianco, Caseber.)