

FINAL ACTION MINUTES

I. Roll Call: Present – Toffel, MacKusick, Wood, Moret, Harris, Clear, Issel. **Absent** – Hale. **Chair**, M. Toffel. **Vice Chair**, MacKusick. **Secretary**, N. Al-Hadithy. **Aide**, J. Tulloch.

II. Report From Chair: Asked CEAC for input on whether, and if affirmative, how to continue Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) Semi-annual presentations on site remediation. After receiving input from all Commissioners present, Chair concluded that in the future LBNL should organize its meetings for community outreach, unaffiliated with CEAC. CEAC members attending the meetings would thus not be representing CEAC. (Iraj Javandel, the usual LBNL representative at these meetings, was in attendance and agreed LBNL would organize future meetings.)

Commissioners who want to provide updates on Strategic Planning Issues (SPI) shall notify the Secretary/Chair before the agenda is finalized. Actionable items should also be submitted for package.

III. Announcements from Commissioners:

- **Clear** – Distributed copies of his and Moret's reviews of radiation thresholds.
- **Wood** – Withdraw Wood from Storm Water Subcommittee and recommend subcommittee elimination due to lack of action. Chair confirmed subcommittee is dissolved. Wood will report to CEAC on independent research in this area.

IV. Comments from the Public:

- **Pamela Sihvola (in writing, read by Secretary)** – Request that LBNL Semi-annual presentations continue to be held prior to formal CEAC meeting. Requested that CEAC oppose UC Berkeley's Long Range Development Plan family housing project in Strawberry Canyon.
- **Iraj Javandel, LBNL** – Reported on LBNL Semi-annual presentations prior to CEAC meetings. Expressed desire to resume the presentations and continue interacting with local community. Concerns over personal verbal attacks.
- **Dan Marks, City of Berkeley's Director of Planning & Development** – (1) No formal action has been taken yet on City Manager's budget recommendation for commissions. Changes to cuts depend on State funds. Encouraged response to CM proposal of cost cutting for commission support as Council has already reviewed CM proposals. Advised CEAC that prioritizing areas of interest is one way to cut down on workload. (2) Re UCB LRDP: May 19th deadline for comment on LRDP at Planning Commission. June 14th is final UCB deadline.
- **Don Medley, LBNL's Manager of Government-Community Relations** – Present to offer assistance/feedback to Commissioners' questions.

V. Toxics Management Division Staff Report

Written report provided. Informed CEAC of past support for modifications to City's Hazardous Materials codes. Requested specific input on medical thresholds for Ch. 6.95 Cal HSC. Commission stated that they had no reason to exempt medical facilities from Berkeley's chemical storage thresholds, which are more stringent than the state thresholds.

VI. Discussion/Action

PRESENTATIONS

Rahul Young (Green Building Coordinator) Adopted Green Building Resolution not code. Worked with City to green two buildings already planned. Worked with independent nonprofit. Educational materials will be posted in Permit Service Center. Map listing all green buildings is under way. Program moved to Environmental Services in Housing.

On Thursday, May 6th, 2004, the CEAC took the following action:

- **SUBJECT: April 2004 Minutes Review/Adoption**
Action: Motioned, seconded, carried (MacKusick/Clear. For: Unanimous. Abstain: None. Absent: Hale. Absent from vote: Moret.) to approve April 2004 minutes with amendments.

(Amendments: Chair distributed final version of background report on Harrison Park signs. Change “Focal Issues” to “Strategic Planning”).

- **SUBJECT: City Manager recommendation on Commissions**

Action: Motioned, seconded, substituted (Wood/Harris. **No vote taken**) that commission continues meeting monthly. CEAC will work in a more efficient way to limit staff time and costs for City Council, City staff, and City Manager. Background to this should indicate that CEAC provides an important function to staff and City Council.

- **SUBJECT: Substitute Motion. City Manager recommendation on Commissions – Activities and costs.**

Action: Motioned, seconded, carried (Harris/MacKusick. For: Toffel, MacKusick, Harris, Clear, Issel. Against: Wood. Abstain: None. Absent: Hale. Absent from vote: Moret.) For the next twelve months the CEAC will meet eight times. In the other four months, CEAC subcommittee meetings will be held.

VII. Requests:

- **Toffel** – Update Tracker to include low activity radioactive waste and the two Harrison sign items (one to staff and the one to council). Update Tracker to reflect editing date.
- **Toffel** – Copy Community Health Commission on Harrison Signs Council report.
- **Toffel** – Indicate in minutes that chair distributed final version of background report on Harrison Park signs.
- **Toffel** – Remove Lead Paint from Toffel’s Strategic Planning Items (SPI) commitment.
- **Toffel** – Bayer item to June agenda with TMD report.