Hazardous Materials Commission

Draft Minutes
Planning and Policy Development Committee
October 19, 2016

Members and Alternates:

Present: Don Bristol, Matt Buell, Frank Gordon, George Smith, Jack Bean (alternate), Ralph Sattler, Rich Kinney (Alternate), Peter Dragovich (alternate)
Absent: Lara DeLaney, Jim Payne, Usha Vedagiri (represented by Alternate)
Members of the Public: None

1. Call to order, introductions and announcements

Commissioner Smith called the meeting to order at 4:08

Announcements:

Michael Kent announced:

- Walgreens has begun to take back unused home-generated pharmaceuticals at their stores in Walnut Creek and El Cerrito. There will also be a drug take-back day at various locations throughout the County sponsored by the DEA on October 22nd.
- DTSC is overseeing a site investigation at the Skipolini property at 7281 Lone Tree Way in Brentwood.
- The State Fire Marshal is investigating a Shell pipeline near Tracy that has ruptured twice in the last year.
- The Benicia City Council has rejected a proposed crude-by-rail facility at the Valero refinery.

Commissioner Bean announced:

- The next Industrial Association forum will be on October 27th at 11:30 at Zio Fraedo’s in Pleasant Hill. The speaker will by Gary Lucks.
- The annual IA Supervisor’s lunch will be November 17th at Zio Fraedo’s in Pleasant Hill.
- The WSPA lunch on October 27th will feature Tom Lue of Tesoro.

2. Public Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the July 20, 2016 meeting were moved by Commissioner Bean, seconded by Commissioner Gordon and approved 5-0.

4. Old Business: None
5. New Business

a) Discuss and develop recommendations concerning the draft Adaptation Responses developed by the BCDC Adapting to Rising Tides project related to hazardous materials.

Commissioner Gordon thought these recommendations should be looked at as part of the Northern Waterfront Economic Development Initiative. He felt the County Supervisors were not aware of these recommendations.

Commissioner Buell said that the areas in the refinery that are potentially susceptible to sea level rise and flooding will require permits from BCDC and they have to look at sea level rise issues anyway now in their permits. Their docks aren’t susceptible, but an example was for their pipelines where they had to prove they would be resilient to seal level rise.

Commissioner Buell thought that adoption of localized policy could conflict with policies developed by regional agencies such as the Regional Water Board. There needs to be one lead agency.

Commissioner Kinney thought that the Board needs someone to review the Shoreline area and identify specific problems for them to address.

Commissioner Gordon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bean that the Commission should recommend to the Board of Supervisors that they should direct the Hazardous Materials Program to work with the Northern Waterfront Economic Development Initiative to review and make recommendations on possible strategies to implement that have been recommended by the Adapting to Rising Tides Project

6. Items of Interest: None

7. Plan Next Agenda: None

8. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:30.