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COMMUNITY EQUITY, HEALTH, AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022

9:30 AM

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Meeting Procedure**

The Committee Chair shall call the meeting to order and the Clerk of the Boards shall take roll of the Committee members.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Item 4)

4. Approval of the Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee Minutes of March 3, 2022

The Committee will consider approving the attached draft minutes of the Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee meeting of March 3, 2022.

PRESENTATIONS (Items 5 - 7)

5. Community Perspectives

This is an informational item only and will be presented by Cecilia Mejia of Brightline Defense.

6. Participatory Budgeting Overview

This is an informational item only and will be presented by Veronica Eady, Sr. Deputy Executive Officer of Policy and Equity.

7. Bayview Hunters Point Enforcement Update

This is an informational item only and will be presented by Patrick Wenzinger, Supervising Air Quality Specialist.

OTHER BUSINESS

8. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3

Members of the public who wish to speak on matters not on the agenda for the meeting, will have two minutes each to address the Committee.

9. Committee Member Comments

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10. Time and Place of Next Meeting

Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., via webcast, teleconference, or Zoom, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas 2021).

11. Adjournment

The Committee meeting shall be adjourned by the Chair.

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BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

375 BEALE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

MONTHLY CALENDAR OF AIR DISTRICT MEETINGS

APRIL 2022

<u>TYPE OF MEETING</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ROOM</u>
Board of Directors Meeting	Wednesday	6	9:00 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee	Thursday	7	9:30 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Advisory Council Meeting	Monday	11	8:30 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Legislative Committee	Monday	11	1:00 p.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Stationary Source and Climate Impacts Committee	Monday	18	9:00 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Meeting	Wednesday	20	9:00 a.m.	1 st Floor, Board Room (In person option available) and REMOTE pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Administration Committee	Wednesday	20	11:00 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Path to Clean Air Community Emissions Reduction Plan Steering Committee	Monday	25	5:30 p.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Budget and Finance Committee	Wednesday	27	9:30 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
Board of Directors Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee	Thursday	28	9:30 a.m.	Webcast only pursuant to Assembly Bill 361

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BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Memorandum

To: Chairperson Davina Hurt and Members
of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee

From: Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Date: April 7, 2022

Re: Approval of the Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee Minutes of
March 3, 2022

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the attached draft minutes of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee (Committee) meeting of March 3, 2022.

BACKGROUND

None.

DISCUSSION

Attached for your review and approval are the draft minutes of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee (Committee) meeting of March 3, 2022.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Prepared by: Marcy Hiratzka
Reviewed by: Vanessa Johnson

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Minutes of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee Meeting of March 3, 2022

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
375 Beale Street, Suite 600
San Francisco, California 94105
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Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 3, 2022

DRAFT MINUTES

*Note: Audio recordings of the meeting are available on the website of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District at
www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas*

This meeting was conducted under procedures authorized by Assembly Bill 361. Members of the Committee participated by teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Community Equity, Health and Justice (CEHJ) Committee (Committee) Chairperson, Davina Hurt, called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairperson Davina Hurt; Vice Chairperson Tyrone Jue; and Directors John Bauters, Rich Constantine, John Gioia, David Haubert, and Nate Miley.

Absent: None.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC MEETING PROCEDURE

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2, 2021

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Gioia made a motion, seconded by Director Bauters, to **approve** the Minutes of December 2, 2021, and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Bauters, Constantine, Gioia, Haubert, Hurt, Jue, Miley.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

5. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES

The Committee received a presentation on "The Listening Project", from Marisol Cantu and Alfredo Rafael Angulo, members of the Richmond Progressive Alliance. Slides included: our work; our team; our process; our impact; our stories. our voices; and listening activity. The goal of The Listening Project is to better understand the concerns and needs of Richmond communities that have historically suffered the greatest harm from generations of fossil fuel operations in Richmond. Ms. Cantu then continued a listening exercise that she lead the Board in at the February 2, 2022 Board meeting. Clips of interviews of Richmond residents were played and Board members were asked to convey what they heard.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the number of people that the Air District has engaged with regarding the climate crisis in Richmond, and when the results of The Listening Project will be published.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

6. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE FROM COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMEN

Veronica Eady, Senior Deputy Executive Officer (SDEO) of Policy and Equity, introduced Ernesto Arevalo, Northern California Program Director at Communities for a Better Environment (CBE). Mr. Arevalo described the variety of hardships experienced by residents of East Oakland; the history of CBE’s collaboration with the Air District and Assembly Bill 617 (Community Air Protection Program); and CBE’s desire for improvements to the AB 617 program, as the community of East Oakland was recently selected by the California Air Resources Board to be the next Bay Area community to develop a community emissions reduction program, and CBE will be working with the Air District to oversee this development.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Maria Dominguez; and Alfredo Rafael Angulo, Richmond Progressive Alliance.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the request for a tour of East Oakland for both the Board members and members of the public, in collaboration with CBE (virtual if necessary); and how having uncomfortable conversations and being willing to be held accountable can create improvement and growth.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

7. UPDATE ON THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Suma Peesapati, Environmental Justice and Community Engagement Officer, gave the staff presentation *Update on the Community Advisory Council (CAC)*, including: outcome; background; first Council meeting; key takeaways; and next steps.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Dr. Jeff Ritterman (CAC member).

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether CAC meetings would be held virtually and whether CAC meetings would become hybrid (both in person and virtually); whether the CAC members would like Air District tours of over-burdened communities (Richmond, East Oakland, Bayview Hunters Point, etc.); and the desire for the appointment of a Board liaison for the CAC.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

8. DISCUSSION OF THE 2022 CEHJ COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

Ms. Eady gave the staff presentation *Discussion of the 2022 CEHJ Committee Work Plan*, including: 2022 CEHJ Work Plan (March through December).

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

No requests received.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

No requests received.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

11. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., via webcast, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Luis Espino
Acting Clerk of the Boards

BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Memorandum

To: Chairperson Davina Hurt and Members
of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee

From: Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Date: April 7, 2022

Re: Community Perspectives

RECOMMENDED ACTION

None; receive and file.

BACKGROUND

The Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee provides local and regional community environmental justice advocates and local leaders a platform to present and share their expertise and/or lived experiences. Specific subjects/topics will vary based upon each community perspective member's unique experience.

Brightline Defense is an environmental justice non-profit organization that works to empower communities and create sustainable environments. Its work includes public policy advocacy, environmental justice advocacy, ensuring job creation and retention, and advocating for the development of fair, affordable, and sustainable housing. The Brightline Defense team is composed of legal experts, policy advocates, communication specialists, community organizers, volunteers, and a board of directors committed to the empowerment of traditionally under-served communities in local neighborhoods, the San Francisco Bay Area, and beyond.

DISCUSSION

Cecilia Mejia is an Air District Community Advisory Council member and Program Coordinator for [Brightline Defense](#), where she manages Brightline's [Construction on Ramp Program](#) and [Air Quality Monitoring Program](#). Ms. Mejia will discuss the program work performed in the areas she supports. As an Air District James Cary Smith Grant recipient, Ms. Mejia will also discuss Brightline's work that aligns with the grant.

Cecilia is a recent graduate of the University of California, Berkeley where she majored in Conservation and Resource Studies and worked at the Student Environmental Resource Center. She is interested in the intersection of environmental justice and gender as well as equitable environmental restoration. She hopes to develop her community building skills further to

empower communities that are affected by environmental injustices. She has also served on the San Francisco Environmental Justice Working Group.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Prepared by: Tim Williams
Reviewed by: Veronica Eady

BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Memorandum

To: Chairperson Davina Hurt and Members
of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee

From: Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Date: April 7, 2022

Re: Participatory Budgeting Overview

RECOMMENDED ACTION

None; receive and file.

BACKGROUND

The Air District is considering participatory budgeting (PB) in Air District programs. Participatory budgeting is a democratic process that allows community members to directly participate in budget-related decision making, i.e., community members decide how to spend a defined portion of a government agency's budget. Staff is considering how to implement PB at the Air District, beginning with training in participatory budgeting.

DISCUSSION

The standard PB process follows a community decision-making model. The process begins with the government entity making preliminary programmatic decisions regarding eligible programs, budget purpose, and limitations. Subsequently, the process empowers the community to make all program-design related decisions. Such decisions include project eligibility, project selection criteria and priorities, voting mechanism for the boarder public/community, and final project selection. The outcome is a set of projects or programs selected by the community through the participatory budgeting process.

Staff is exploring options to utilize participatory budgeting at the Air District. The Community Benefits Fund is one opportunity to undertake participatory budgeting. The fund was approved by the Air District Board in early 2021. A total of \$3 million was approved for Fiscal Year Ending 2022. The funds are intended to be community-directed and provide community benefits. The funding source for the Community Benefits Fund is generally unrestricted; however, funds should be used to advance the agency's mission and benefit overburdened communities. It is presumed that all funded projects should improve air quality and/or reduce exposure to air pollution, especially in impacted communities. Specifics regarding eligible projects, project criteria and selection, and funding distribution decisions would need to be defined as the

program is developed with community via a community decision-making process. The Community Advisory Council could decide to act as the community decision-making body for a PB effort with the Community Benefits Fund. Staff will work with the Community Advisory Council to explore this option for participatory budgeting.

Another opportunity to undertake participatory budgeting is through the Community Health Protection Program, i.e., implementation of Assembly Bill AB617 (Garcia, C., Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017). AB 617 is an acknowledgement that many communities around the state continue to experience disproportionate impacts from air pollution. AB617 directs the Air District to work with communities to develop and implement monitoring and/or community emission reduction plans. The Air District receives funding from CARB to implement this program. A fourth year of funding, \$9 million, has recently been distributed by CARB. The Air District submitted, and CARB has approved, a spending plan for those funds, however, the spending plan can be modified to accommodate any PB efforts. If this path is selected as the best avenue for participatory budgeting, Air District staff would work with a decision-making body to develop a community-oriented process to identify projects that meet CARB's criteria for funding.

Participatory Budgeting Training

Staff has partnered with the Participatory Budgeting Project to ensure successful implementation of participatory budgeting at the Air District. The PB Project is a nonprofit organization that empowers people to decide together how to spend public money. Thus far, the PB Project, led by Kristiania DeLeon, Co-Executive Director at the PB Project, provided staff training to introduce PB concepts to all staff who may work on implementing PB. Ms. DeLeon oversees the PB Project's network building, advocacy, and technical assistance to increase the demand, visibility, and impact of PB efforts across North America.

Ms. DeLeon will provide a brief presentation on participatory budgeting for the members of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee. We also anticipate further PB training for the members of the Community Advisory Committee, if they elect to take up this effort, and Air District staff.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Prepared by: Christy Riviere and Miriam Torres
Reviewed by: Veronica Eady

BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Memorandum

To: Chairperson Davina Hurt and Members
of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee

From: Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Date: April 7, 2022

Re: Bayview Hunters Point Enforcement Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION

None; receive and file.

BACKGROUND

Residents of the Bayview – Hunters Point neighborhoods in San Francisco have expressed concerns about health and quality of living impacts from air pollution emitted by facilities and construction activities in their neighborhoods. Cement and material handling facilities to the residents' east and ongoing construction activities within and around the surrounding areas contribute to particulate matter (PM) pollution including dust and PM2.5 as well as toxic air contaminants such as naturally occurring asbestos (NOA). The Air District's Compliance and Enforcement staff regularly patrol and monitor these areas to ensure facilities and operations are in compliance with air quality regulations.

DISCUSSION

Staff will present an overview of the actions taken by Air District enforcement staff to address air quality concerns in the Bayview – Hunters Point (BVHP) area. The presentation will include a discussion of the Air District's enforcement process, an overview of the regulated facilities and NOA sites in the area, a discussion of general air quality concerns in BVHP and our two primary areas of focus – Amador Street and Gilman Avenue, and a brief overview of other Air District activities in BVHP.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander Crockett
Interim Acting Executive Officer/APCO

Prepared by: Patrick Wenzinger
Reviewed by: John Marvin