

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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Community Equity, Health & Justice Committee
Wednesday, November 15, 2023

APPROVED MINUTES

*This meeting was webcast, and a video recording is available on the website of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District at
www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas*

CALL TO ORDER

1. **Opening Comments:** Community Equity, Health & Justice Committee (Committee) Chairperson, Davina Hurt, called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present, In-Person (Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, 1st Floor Board Room, San Francisco, California, 94105): Chairperson Davina Hurt; and Board Chair John J. Bauters.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location (Office of Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia, Conference Room, 11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D, El Cerrito, California, 94530): Director John Gioia and Steve Young.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location (Palo Alto City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, California, 94301): Director Vicki Veenker.

Absent: Vice Chair Katie Rice; and Directors Margaret Abe-Koga, Brian Barnacle, Joelle Gallagher, Erin Hannigan, and Nate Miley.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. **APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY EQUITY, HEALTH & JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2023**

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Board Chair Bauters made a motion, seconded by Director Gioia, to **approve** Minutes of the Community, Equity, Health & Justice Committee of October 18, 2023; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Bauters, Gioia, Hurt, Veenker.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: Young.
ABSENT: Abe-Koga, Barnacle, Gallagher, Hannigan, Miley, Rice.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES

Nicole Merino Tsui, Senior Project Manager of the West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project (WOEIP), gave a presentation on West Oakland Health Center's Air Filtration project, and a rapid response investigation regarding Schnitzer Steel.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed challenges that WOEIP has been experiencing and how the Air District can help; and recent compliance and enforcement actions regarding Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. fire incidents.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

**5. ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT ON OWNING OUR AIR: THE WEST OAKLAND
COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN (WOCAP)**

Ms. Merino Tsui and Alicia Parker, Air District Principal Planner, gave the presentation *Owning Our Air: The West Oakland Community Action Plan*, including: outcome; outline; informational only; WOCAP overview; implementation (conducted between 2022 and 2023) at-a-glance; notable progress; wins; acknowledgements; next steps; and community perspectives.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether *all* of WOEIP's priorities were captured in the presentation; whether the Air District has worked with the community of West Oakland on reducing/mitigating displacement and gentrification and desired outcomes; the request for Resolution #: 89907 C.M.S, regarding

the City of Oakland’s 2045 General Plan Update: Certification Of The Final Environmental Impact Report For Phase 1 Of The City Of Oakland 2045 General Plan Update And Adoption Of The Safety And, Environmental Justice Elements And The Planning Code Text And Map Amendments, adopted on September 26, 2023; and health metrics (what is being measured today).

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

No requests received.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Board Chair Bauters announced that Transgender Day of Remembrance is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence.

8. REPORT OF THE ACTING DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF EQUITY AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Victor Douglas, Acting Deputy Executive Officer of Equity and Community Programs, gave the following remarks:

- On October 26, Air District staff and members of the Path to Clean Air: Richmond-San Pablo Community Steering Committee (CSC) gave presentations to both the West County Mayors’ and Supervisors’ Association and Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Commission, regarding strategies within the CSC’s Assembly Bill (AB) 617 Emissions Reduction Plan.
- On October 28, Air District staff and Board members took a “toxic tour” of Bayview-Hunters Point, organized by Director Walton and members of the Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco Community Steering Committee, along with the Marie Harrison Community Foundation.

9. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, December 20, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. The meeting will be in-person for the Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee members and members of the public will be able to either join in-person or via webcast.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards