



**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (ESAC)
WASTE DIVERSION, COLLECTIONS, AND
EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE**

Approved on September 7, 2022

Minutes

Wednesday, August 3, 2022, 3:30 P.M.

Virtual Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Subcommittee Chairperson Garcia at 3:34 P.M.

Those present and absent were:

Present:

Kris Yarter

Representative, Ward 6

Margot Garcia, Chair

Representative, City Manager's Office

Yolanda Herrera

Representative, Ward 5

Absent:

Staff Members Present:

Pat L. Tapia

Deputy Director, Environmental & General Services
(EGSD)

Cristina Polsgrove

Public Information Officer, EGSD

Laurie Pumphrey

Management Assistant, EGSD

Lucy Lucero

Recording Secretary, EGSD

2. Approval of Minutes for June 1, 2022 - The minutes for June 1, 2022, were approved as written.

3. Chairperson's Report – Chairperson Garcia reported on a compostable cup being used at the resort in California. Chairperson asked if that type of product could be composted at the Los Reales Compost, staff advised her that we do not have an industrial machinery to compost.

4. Waste Diversion

Cristina Polsgrove, EGSD Public Information Officer and Pat Tapia EGSD Deputy Director, reported on the following items:

- **Materials Recovery Facility Report** – The Materials Recovery Report (MRF) was reviewed and discussed, less tonnages and lower prices for commodities, and higher contamination were factors in the \$50,000.00 invoice payment paid to the MRF.
- **Materials Recycling Contract Update** – The Materials Recycling contract due date was extended till September. Republic Services will have time to review terms and conditions before the contract is finalized.

5. Collections

Pat L. Tapia, EGSD Deputy Director, reported on the following items:

- **Landfill Cell 4B Update** – Plans for construction of the Cell 4B access roads, ty in to pond, and stormwater run-off continue to be discussed.
- **Homeless Camp Protocol Update** - EGSD is committed to sending out crews to clean up homeless camps in collaboration of protocol. EGSD has hired four more employees to assist in the homeless camp protocol. clean-up. More discussion was held.
- **Electric Vehicle Update** – An electric powered refuse truck has been ordered for EGSD; the cost is seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

6. Public Outreach Update

Cristina Polsgrove, EGSD Public Information Officer provided an update on the Zero Waste Event happening on November 5, 2022, the event will be held at the Catalina United Methodist Church parking lot. Updated notifications and schedules for Brush & Bulky, Household Hazardous Waste, TreeCycle Drop-off with holiday schedule, and Recycling Pick-up Calendar will be sent out. More information coming soon. Discussion about fines for early set outs for Brush & Bulky pick-up were discussed.

7. Code Enforcement Update

Laurie Pumphrey, EGSD Management Assistant reported on the following items:

- **Code Enforcement Cases** – Code Enforcement (CE) has handled 4430 cases up to date. CE handles 8000 – 10,000 cases yearly.
- **New Hire Update** – The three new inspectors are fully trained and assisting. CE is planning on hiring at least two more inspectors.
- **Tire Clean – Up** – CE in collaboration with the Tucson Fire Department cleaned up 4301 E. Irvington Blvd., the property was littered with tires.

8. Future Agenda Items for Next Meeting (September 7, 2022)

Future agenda items for the following:

- Electric Vehicle Batteries/Disposal
- Food Trucks
- Cell 4B Update
- MRF Contract Update
- CE Case/IAPC
- Home Occupation
- Household Hazardous Waste Update
- Plastic Blocks

9. Call to the Audience – None.

10. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 P.M.