

Illegal Dumping Ad-Hoc Committee

Record of Meeting for November 19, 2020

Members Present:

Supervisor Diane Burgis

Supervisor Federal Glover

Staff Present:

Capt. Brian Vanderlind, Sheriff's Office (SO); Paul O'Mary, SO; Jocelyn Stortz, Environmental Health (EH); Roberto Rodriguez, EH; Joe Yee, Public Works (PWD); Chris Lau, PWD; John Kopchik, Conservation and Development (DCD); Deidra Dingman, DCD; Joe Losado, DCD; Jo-Anmarie Ricasata, DCD;

Attendees:

Susan Hurl, Republic Services; Scott Gordon, Republic Services; Karin Graves, Contra Costa Clean Water Program; Kristine Corneillie, Contra Costa Clean Water Program; Bryan Ballardo, City of Pittsburg; Jill Mercurio City of San Pablo Public Works, Janna Coverston, Republic Services; Karen Burns, City of Pittsburg; Zuna Barker, City of Pittsburg; Lorena Burciaga, City of Richmond

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Introductions

Supervisor Burgis convened the meeting and invited attendees to introduce themselves.

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to three minutes)

Zuna Barker, City of Pittsburg – asked if there would be a discussion regarding veto of SB 68 and treated wood waste management and if not, asked that it be added to the next meeting agenda.

3. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the September 16, 2019 Illegal Dumping Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

MOTION by Committee Member Burgis to approve as submitted.

SECOND by Committee Member Glover

MOTION PASSED.

4. Status update regarding implementation of the Board approved illegal dumping strategies. Staff summarized the information contained in the "Status Updates" column for each of the yellow highlighted strategies contained in Table 1 – Strategies to Combat Illegal Dumping attached to the staff report for this item.

Correction: Regarding the status update for strategy #40, the total number of RVs abated and their locations within the county reported out during this meeting were inaccurate. The accurate number of RVs abated with their respective locations are noted in the Status Updates column of the Strategy Table.

Public comment

Public comment was given as follows:

Karen Burns, City of Pittsburg, shared information about how City of Pittsburg manages illegally dumping mattresses and box springs and asked for more information regarding County community clean up events.

Scott Gordon, Republic Services, asked the board to coordinate efforts to find a short-term and long-term solutions to treated wood waste management considering SB 68 being vetoed.

Susan Barker, City of Pittsburg, expressed concern about communicating changes to treated wood waste management to the general public.

Supervisor Burgis Comments:

- a. Suggest including increasing Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program (AVAP) funding in legislative platform.
- b. Suggested Public Works present Mobile Citizen app to Board of Supervisors.
- c. Asked if there was any data or measurements to track progress
- d. Stated that the County was working with its lobbyist to pursue action to address veto of SB 68 and suggested that staff reach out to cities about communication regarding treated wood waste
- e. Suggested staff track measurements of activity in addition to program goals and metrics.

Supervisor Glover Comments:

- a. Suggested that staff continue to look for ways to be refunded for abated RVs
- b. What's going well and what needs more attention? Need to be clear on major obstacles and what is needed to overcome them.
- c. Asked staff to set program goals and metrics so that continuous change can be tracked and program can evolve to get better results
- d. Strengthen partnership with cities – coordinate with Mayor's conference to encourage cities to join efforts in policy and action
Requested that staff evaluate budget needs and submit requests for additional funding where needed.

Committee members directed staff to:

- a. Report back on program goals and metrics to track program progress and ongoing activities
- b. Evaluate budget and submit request for additional funding
- c. Provide strategy updates for per diem deputies, surveillance cameras and treated wood waste
- d. Plan outreach to cities county wide

5. Committee Members Comments

There were not Committee Member Comments unrelated to items on the agenda.

6. The next meeting will be scheduled for a date to be determined sometime in February 2021.

7. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at approximately 12:10 PM to the meeting scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 10:00 AM.

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