



Citizens' Advisory Committee
 Wastewater Subcommittee Meeting (WWCAC)
 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor Conference Room
Meeting Minutes -- DRAFT --

Date: April 14, 2011

Members: Laura Tam (Chair) - Alex Lantsberg (late) - Jennifer Clary - David Pilpel

1. Call to order- 5:36 p.m.

2. Roll Call- See above

SFPUC Staff present – Kenya Briggs, Greg Mayer, Manfred Wong, Bessie Tam, Jignesh Desai, Johnny Wong, Jon Loiacono, Suzanne Gautier, Ryan Cayabyab

Members of the public – Judy West, Olivia Chen, Eric Mische, Katie Westfall, Frank Filice (DPW)

3. Minutes - March 2011 Regular Meeting minutes were approved (with one correction):

CORRECTION: Page 2, last entry under item #7. Entry should read: "REQUEST: Most recent condition assessment *of sludge line to and from North Point.*"

4. Public Comment - Infrastructure is too close to the beach. SFPUC should consider managed retreat as an option.

5. Staff Report - Kenya Briggs provided brief updates on the Pharmaceutical Drop Off Day, the new FOG Control Ordinance, Phase III of upgrades to Channel Pump Station, the Rainwater Harvesting Subsidy Program and AB 1178 (Fiona Ma).

COMMENT: Possibly ask Department of Building Inspection (DBI) Commissioners to come to a Wastewater CAC Subcommittee meeting to be presented with a report on issues that the SFPUC is working on so we can learn the DBI's concerns (Laura Tam will follow up with this).

6. WWE Construction Projects Update (WWE CIP and R&R) – semi-annual standing item, delivered by Manfred Wong, Bessie Tam, Jignesh Desai and Johnny Wong. Includes updates on the Sunnydale Project and Cesar Chavez Sewer Improvements, pump station and treatment plant projects and an overview of sewer and R&R projects.

Discussion/Comments:

COMMENT: Please let WWCAC members know about the April 26th media event planned for the Sunnydale Project.

COMMENT: WWCAC members wish Manfred Wong to return to talk about Phase 2/ LID components for the Cesar Chavez Project.

* Will the LID upgrades at Cesar Chavez be tied into the Watershed Framework?
 ANSWER: Yes.

*Will it be possible, in the future, to collect stormwater separately?
 ANSWER: Not feasible.

* Are results from the Leland Avenue Project available?
 ANSWER: None are available yet.

* Who manages the streetscape segment of the Cesar Chavez Project?

Edwin M. Lee
 Mayor
Francesca Vietor
 President
Anson Moran
 Vice President
Ann Moller Caen
 Commissioner
Art Torres
 Commissioner
Vince Courtney
 Commissioner
Ed Harrington
 General Manager



ANSWER: The Department of Public Works.

* What are the goals for LID components for the Cesar Chavez Project?

ANSWER: Please ask this question to our Urban Watershed Management Program staff.

* Is the Cesar Chavez construction taking into account the rebuild at St. Luke's Hospital?

ANSWER: Yes, we are coordinating with that effort.

COMMENT: There will be far fewer shut-downs during Phase III improvements at Channel Pump Station. There may be five or six shut downs.

* Is the CoGen machinery at the Southeast Wastewater Treatment Plant working properly now?

ANSWER: Yes.

7. Follow-up: Erosion Issue at the Great Highway and Sloat Blvd. – delivered by Frank Filice (DPW), Suzanne Gautier and Jon Loiacono. This segment includes presentations on The Lake Merced Tunnel (a sewer overflow transport box), Westside Recycled Water Project site alternatives and engineering feasibility of pipeline(s) in the area, and the Ocean Beach Master Plan (delivered by Laura Tam on behalf of SPUR).

Discussion/Comments:

* How did you arrive at "Designated Reach 1, 2 and 3" categories?

ANSWER: We went after the most critical areas.

* How did you calculate future erosion probabilities?

ANSWER: We looked at storm events over the past forty years and ran them through a model.

* Were these types of scenarios run when the Lake Merced Tunnel was planned?

ANSWER: Yes, but the dynamics have changed since then. The El Ninos have gotten bigger.

* Shouldn't we start the work immediately? A 50-50 probability of damage in five years is high.

ANSWER: There's a funding issue.

COMMENT: Both this subcommittee and the full CAC have recommended that The Lake Merced Tunnel be relocated.

* Are there additional pipes between the pump station and the treatment plant?

ANSWER: Yes.

* Can you treat stormwater before it gets to Lake Merced so you can replace the storage box with LID infrastructure?

ANSWER: It's not a good idea to get rid of the storage.

8. ACTION ITEM: Request that the SFPUC investigate both public and private land opportunities along Division Street and the Mission Creek corridor, to expand or improve upon the existing wastewater collection and treatment system, and to recognize the current opportunity to negotiate with Norcal/Recology for the use of their ideally suited property at the base of the drainage basin.

CAC subcommittee members asked Judy West to re-work the action item and bring it back for consideration in May or June.

9. Comments, suggestions and requests for future agenda items by members of the Wastewater Subcommittee, staff and general public.

None were discussed.

9. Adjourned - 7:35 p.m.