Meeting Notes

SPU Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

November 19, 2008
Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 Fifth Avenue
Room 4096
5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Chair: Carl Pierce
Vice Chair: David Ruggiero
Secretary: Nicole Riss

In attendance: Carl Pierce, Mike McComber, Kim Ducoté, Jonathan Rivin, Rita Smith, Nicole Riss, David Ruggiero, Signe Gilson
Staff: Vicky Beaumont, Dick Lilly, George Sidles, Linda Rogers
Guests:
Absent: Theo Mbabaliye

5:00 pm Call to Order

Administration:

Chair Report:
  o September and October minutes approved
  o Recovery One tour discussed; reminder to be sure to attend if signed up; want tour opportunities to continue. If unable to attend, please notify Kim Ducote'
  o Review of Prior Meeting Action Items –
    ▪ Redraft SWAC web page - Aurora Mendoza has web modifications
    ▪ CAC survey coming soon from Aurora Mendoza; please be sure to complete as this helps us know how we’re doing

Monthly Topics:

5. Building Permit Changes/Deconstruction - Briefing
  • Dick Lilly reviewed deconstruction at various levels; salvage and recycle high priority. Year-end aggregate report will cover 6-8 houses.
  • Decoupling of permit process – DPD has this item in front of Council; expect to hear first of the year.
  • Hybrid Deconstruct Center – Meting with DOE to develop.
  • DPD – larger scale requirements in recycling work with house mover. Study coming back with notations:
    o Make permit process more efficient
    o No incentive at this time to deconstruct
    o Tax advantages to owner/builders

6. Collection Contracts Transition – Briefing
  • George Sidles reviewed Solid Waste Implementation Plan; critical path task and deliverables.
  • Contract is within comprehensive framework
Has been held up but now moving forward with 25 focus groups reviewing material in next couple of weeks.

**Action:** Review materials and send comments to George by email by Monday morning, 11/24.

7. **2009 Officer Elections .Effective 1-1-2009**
   - Chair – Mike McComber
   - Vice-Chair – David Ruggiero
   - Secretary – Nicole Riss

8. **2009 Draft Work Plan –**
   Vicky Beaumont reviewed 2009 Work Plan Draft, with incorporated modifications from October meeting. Further changes to consider include:
   - Reduce number of briefings
   - Must review rates, annual recycling report

9. **Plastic Bags in Curbside Recycling –**
   SPU has not written back. Council members McIver and Conlin responded via email. However, Council made no changes to plastic bag recycling.

   **Recommendations:**
   - Allied Representative provide information on handling new materials
   - Make taking of recycles items priority
   - Get outside representations and information

10. **December Meeting:**
    No meeting will be held in December

**Wrap Up:**

**Action Items:**
- Send additional comments (if any ) to George Sidles regarding Solid Waste Implementation Plan by Monday, 11/24
- Coordinate Allied or other industry representative to talk about recycled materials
- Reminder of tours: Dec 8th – Total Reclalm, and Dec 15th – Nucor Steel.

**Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting**
- Review & Approve minutes for November meeting
- 2009 Work Plan Redraft for SWAC agreement
- Sub-committees for 2009 work plan

6:55 PM  Meeting adjourned.