In attendance: Signe Gilson, Chair; Eric Johnson; Carl Pierce; David Ruggiero; Rita Smith; David Trylor
Absent: Laura Feinstein; Todd Johnson; George Kukahiko;
Staff: Vicky Beaumont; Linda Rogers, Dick Lilly, Jeff Neuner, Joel Banslaben, Sheila Strehle, Jeff Neuner, Ken Snipes, Enna Lamping
Guests:

5:02 pm Call to Order

Administration:

Chair Report:
- February 2010 minutes approved
- Attendance: George Kukahiko notified Staff Supporter he will be unable to attend
- Review of February’s meeting’s decisions, action items, accomplishments
  - Charter/By-Laws – Rita asked these be re-sent for her review. Done – will review later in year

Monthly Topics:

4. South Park Landfill Agreed Order – Briefing & Discussion
   - Sheila Strehle and Jeff Neuner briefed the SWAC on status:
     - FYI - Signed agreement with Mortenson team for the new south facility; open house on March 31st at South Park Community Center
     - First step for SP LF clean-up, then ground breaking in October
     - Work with DOE regarding feasibility study on contaminates
     - Submit RIFs work plan to DOE, work with DOE on suggested revisions
     - Field work to take place next quarter
     - DCAP – draft cleanup action plan
     - Will be couple of years before have agreement with DOE on final clean-up plan

5. Report From the Trenches – Briefing
   Ken Snipes, manager of North and South Transfer Stations, and Enna Lamping, North Crew Chief, presented briefing on Solid Waste Operational Report:
   - Numbers – customer counts down since 2007 for both North and South stations; tonnage also down; and recycling/organics up
   - Station News – Had recent Health Department, EPA and DOE reports – no major findings
   - Just completed AVL (All Vehicle Locator system) installation; will be in full use within a couple weeks. Will enable quicker dispatching while trucks are “on the road” rather than having to wait for them to return to the station before being re-routed.
   - Discussed instances of customers circumventing the minimum fee; loophole to be considered for future action.
6-A. Rationale Behind Budget Cuts - Briefing
   o Dick Lilly returned to discuss current budget issues; faced with $1M cut of non-labor funds to make target, and still make sure to pick-up waste, garbage, recycle:
     ▪ Backyard Organics – which include backyard composting, grass cycling, natural soil building
     ▪ Try to ensure not get in way of reaching 60% recycling goal
     ▪ Food waste key to reach 60% goal
     ▪ 1550 restaurant accounts in City
     ▪ Food waste accounts going up
     ▪ Waste prevention not big tonnage part of project
     ▪ Construction and demolition targets for cuts
     ▪ Are just now moving into C&D handling – not yet have a good program developed
   o Not asking for any restoration of Solid Waste budget for 2011

6-B. Mercury Lighting Bill – Briefing
   Passed House and Senate; waiting for Governor to sign
   o This was a heavily negotiated bill
   o Light industry agreed they should pay something
   o Requires customer convenience standards
   o Will be effective 1-1-2013
   o Hope to strengthen before implementation
   o Ecology plays stronger role
   o Weakness – to get National EMA cap per producer
     ▪ Feel too low to recycle number of bulk purchases
     ▪ Ecology to review each year and can modify cost
     ▪ Exempted private labels – such as Target brand CFL’s

7. Hybrid Deconstruction Facility – Briefing
   Joel Banslaben briefed SWAC on the Hybrid Deconstruction Program (HDP) Study Goals:
   o Hybrid Deconstruction – “panelization” of structures for salvage offsite
   o Green Jobs Training – curriculum development and contractor training; build as a “system”
   o Develop local building materials market – minimize carbon footprint/GHGs
   o CPG 09-10 Funding awarded for $180,000
   o C&D Policy Opportunities:
     ▪ C&D approximately 35% of City waste stream
     ▪ Zero Waste resolution
     ▪ Deconstruction permit
     ▪ Challenges:
       ● Transformational change in reuse/recycling markets requires significant investment
       ● Facility siting issues
       ● Deconstruction capacity (i.e. Yesler Terrace)

8. Annual Recycling Report – Briefing-Discussion
   Vicky Beaumont advised it’s that time of year again where SWAC needs to review the Annual Recycling Report draft and provide feedback before the report is finalized.
   o Eric Johnson and Rita Smith volunteered to review and provide feedback
   o SWAC will see report at June meeting

9. Rates Sub-Committee – held telephone conference; nothing to update; will keep the SWAC informed as applicable.

10. Elect SWAC Secretary – Action
    o Duties: Review draft minutes, assist with letter writing as needed
    o Nominated and Elected Laura Feinstein
11. SWAC Name Change – Discussion
   o Develop problem statement of what want to solve
   o Implementation plan
   o Eric Johnson and David Ruggerio will develop and present to SWAC
   o Want to incorporate “recycle, waste reduction composting”

12. Debrief Annual CAC Meeting – Briefing
    Recommendations
    o Time and day meeting schedule – rethink time for next year
      ▪ 5-7 PM a good time
    o Agenda – Ray was great!
    o Disappointed that neither Mayor nor representative were able to attend
    o Rescheduled – 4/14 – Councilman O’Brien meeting at 4 PM

11. Wrap Up
    Recommendations - Carried over from February Meeting:
    • Discuss incentives with rates increase effects
    • Recommendations for future meetings:
      o SWAC would like a follow-up that includes a little more specific information about
        the success of marketing the recently added materials, could be done in conjunction
        with update on the recyclables waste sort later this year.

    Action Items:
    • Meeting with newly elected Administration – CAC Annual meeting 3/10/2010; meet with
      Councilman Obrien rescheduled for 4/14/2010 at 4 PM
    • Rates Study: Deborah Caul to furnish short write-ups of the issues of particular interest;
      sub-committee arrange to meet with Deborah to discuss the issues. – On-going

    Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting – April 21, 2010
    • Approve meeting minutes for March, 2010
    • Rates sub-committee report out

7:05 PM Meeting adjourned.