

Bayview Hunters Point Environmental Justice Response Task Force

Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/16/17

Time: 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM

Location: Southeast Campus – Alex Pitcher Room (1800 Oakdale, San Francisco, CA 94124)

I. Welcome, introductions of participants, and agenda review

Sheridan Enomoto welcomed Community participants and facilitated introductions to everyone present. Brian Butler conducted a review of the meeting agenda.

II. Review and update new and pending pollution complaints filed in IVAN

Brian Butler from Greenaction discussed last month's IVAN complaints. Air quality and illegal dumping continue to be the most frequently reported issues. Additional complaints included Bayview Hunters Point resident threatened by proposed underground garage and sewage smell.

Great to have residents continue to use the IVAN website to report. Matt McCarran (DTSC) reported a wire burning back in 2016 and admitted it takes a while to catch the individual responsible.

III. Presentation: Zero Trash Campaign (Save the Bay)

Allison Chan – (Save The Bay) gave a presentation on pollution prevention in the bay area. Their focus places the Bay as a central concern during development. Protects fresh water resources, prioritizes green and protects displacement. Minimizes environmental impacts; reduces its GHG and particulate emissions; concerned about trash. A review of the storm water system. Trash blows into the Bay and directly dumps in creek. Trash Zero Trash Campaign has a 5 year objective for the Bay Area Cities with Goal of 70% Trash Reduction by July 2017. Zero trash by 2022. Specific products include plastics and Styrofoam. This campaign is part of a coalition to help cities that have adopted the banning of above products. It also helps to reduce flooding.

Funding opportunities are being explored to adopt plans in cities: Richmond, San Mateo, Contra Costa County and Oakland where there are pollution and trash challenges. Currently advocating at the State and Local level. Victory – advocacy helped to get attention and funding increased in Oakland.

Questions: Leotis Martin (Mothers & Fathers Committee) raised concern about areas that are not being treated i.e. Candlestick, Hunters Point Shipyard; 3rd Street and 16th Street?

Javier questioned, “How do you keep track of all of the cities and counties that are meeting the #s and trash reduction actions?”

Response: Business report data. Online visual assessments and data collection processes. Annual reports are due in September.

Save The Bay is trying to scale down the information. They are constantly providing information to public. Community encouraged to visit Savesfbay.org to get information about campaign and updates.

Questions: Roger asked about Save the Bay being well suited for Partnership to work with IVAN Network and Task Force. Attend meetings and provide resources. Roger asked about Save the Bay I partnership with Cal Recycle. Brian Butler (Greenaction) This could be an excellent partnership and a way to be engaged with the community, and is there a funding opportunity? Leotis – Explain the treatment plant and how it does not support communities although it is in close proximity. Sheridan – What percentage of trash is flowing through?

Kim Pierce – Explained process for getting specific types of recycled information and additional information picked up in the community by call 311. Allison explained Cities have been able to do a before and after research and seeing good numbers. Mr. Verros questioned how Save the Bay is being funded. Would like to understand better how they are kicking butt on city and getting the problem fixed. 5 years are a being too generous.

IV. Community Updates

5 Year Review

Brian Butler (Greenaction) discussed Greenaction and partners working on issues addressing the community. Our goal is to keep the public informed:

Sheridan Enomoto reviewed Fact sheet for Third 5-Year Review of Remedial Actions – Hunters Point Naval Shipyard.

Kim Pierce – Cap for plan is not in place, in place - untreated and exposed. Capped – leave it there. Documents are too technical. May get people confused. Important to have details and facts. (Roger) Have to be clear and understand. Encourage task force to be cautious until we have updated and clear explanation. (Michelle Pierce) Capping or treatment in place is not always the answer.

Lack of Transparency @ Tiger Team Meetings. Falsification of Data (Tiger Team)

Brian requested information from Navy, Mayors Office and DTSC. Asked them to come and provide an update. They did not respond.

Strengthen The Task Force:

Brian shared efforts to strengthen the BVHP Task Force. Conversation was opened for discussion amongst Community in attendance on moving Task Force Meetings to evening to allow for more participation.

Some of the Agency Representatives stressed that this move would cause Paid overtime, requires change in work schedule if the meetings were held solely in the evenings. Javier expressed that if it were to happen, minor government agencies – night meetings make it difficult to attend. (Roger) suggested start time of 4:00-6:00pm. The other suggestion was to have the meetings continue to be held at the Opera House. Want to have the discussion amongst the group. We continue to get requests to move to evening meetings.

Goal and Mission of the meeting? Who needs to be in the room? Who are we trying to accommodate?

Concerns raised: Residents can't easily as they work during the day. Lack of funding makes it a challenge to hold all meetings at night due to cost. Suggested resources to secure funding:

Save The Bay; SEP; EPA/State Grants; Youth Academy – Go Fund Me Campaign. A request for more information on the cost to run the meetings. This question was referred to Bradley Angel.

Problem Solvers

Brian solicited additional support for the Problem Solver Team. An overview of roles and responsibilities were addressed. (Roger) Problem Solvers are the heart and soul of IVAN behind the scenes. A request for information to be provided at the next Task Force Meeting so folks can evaluate what's included before committing.

Brian solicited agenda items from the group for the next Task Force Meeting. Please forward to Brian.

V. Next steps and announcements

Next BVHP EJ Task Force will be held Wednesday, September 20th, 6pm at the Bayview Opera House, 4705 Third Street, San Francisco, CA 94124 (Bayview Hunters Point)

Meeting adjourned at 4:01pm