

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

SPECIAL SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

Finished Action

DATE: February 28, 2011
TIME: 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: City Hall, Room 15

X Helene Schneider, Mayor
X Bendy White, Chair
X Michael Self,
Councilmember

Office of the City
Administrator

Office of the City Attorney

X Nina Johnson
Assistant to the City Administrator

X Stephen Wiley
City Attorney

X Paul Casey, Assistant City Administrator
X Bob Samario, Finance Director
X Jim Dewey, Facilities and Energy Manager
X Alelia Parenteau, Administrative Analyst II
X Kristy Schmidt, Employee Relations Manager
X Matt Fore, Environmental Services Manager
X Karen Gumtow, Environmental Services Supervisor
X Thomas Ortesky, Environmental Services Specialist
X Bill Ferguson, Water Resources Supervisor
X Jeff McKee, Airport Maintenance Superintendent
X Lori Pedersen, Administrative Analyst

AGENDA

1. **Public Comment** – *None.*
2. **Appointment of Committee Chair** – Bendy White was appointed as Chair.
3. **Status of Previous Agenda Action Items**
ACTION: Receive a status report on previous agenda items, including:
 - a. emPowerSBC Program
 - b. Renewable Energy Projects at El Estero
 - c. Conversion Technology Project

The Committee received the following status updates. The revised funding strategy for emPowerSBC program received approval from the County Board of Supervisors in December 2010. The County plans to partner with a lending institution, to provide funding for residential energy and water efficiency projects, instead of utilizing the property assessment model. Once a lending partner is selected the County anticipates making funds available to residents in late May or early June.

Staff is finalizing the Power Purchase Agreement for the Cogeneration Project at the El Estero Waste Water Treatment Plant and completing the final design of the Fats, Oils and Grease project to go out to bid.

The Multi-Jurisdictional Solid Waste Task Force Conversion Technology Subgroup is evaluating vendor proposals for the Conversion Technology Project at Tajiguas Landfill.

4. **Fiscal Year 2011 Sustainability Committee Schedule**

ACTION: Review a revised Sustainability Council Committee schedule for the remainder of the Fiscal Year 2011.

Ms. Johnson reviewed the calendar with the Committee. She also added that there will be a presentation from Southern California Edison on Smart Meters in April and the Hauler Contract for Zone 1 will return to the Committee before June but the date has not been set yet.

5. **Mid-Year Review of Fiscal Year 2011 Sustainability Projects**

ACTION: Receive a status report on current work efforts for Fiscal Year 2011.

Ms. Johnson briefly discussed the Fiscal Year 2011 Summary of Sustainability Projects chart.

6. **Hauler Contract for Zone 1 (West of State Street)**

ACTION: Support staff's recommendation to Council for an open competitive process to solicit proposals for solid waste franchise contract for Zone 1, and recommend that Council award a professional services agreement with HF&H Consultants, LLC for competitive contracting assistance.

Ms. Schmidt made a brief presentation on the background of the Zone 1 Hauler Contract and the procurement process. At the November 23, 2010, meeting Council directed staff to return to the Sustainability Committee for further review and discussion of the competitive process for the Zone 1 contract (open vs. limited) and the professional service contract for procurement support. The Committee's recommendations would go to Council for a final decision.

Ms. Schmidt introduced Mr. Laith Ezzett, Project Manager, HF&H Consultants, LLC who presented information on the competitive process and options that the Committee will need to consider as the process moves forward.

Ms. Schmidt then presented additional information on the procurement services request and the qualifications of HF&H.

The Committee discussed the competitive process and whether it should be open or limited but they were unable to reach a decision at this time. Before making a recommendation the Committee wanted more information on the current contract negotiations for the County and the City of Goleta. The Committee also requested more information on the Charter section governing an open competitive bidding process for franchise agreements.

The Committee unanimously accepted staff's recommendation to approve a reduced contract for professional services with HF&H Consultants, LLC for procurement support.