

**MINUTES OF  
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
JANUARY 30, 2020  
128 Sun Street, Suite 101, Salinas, CA 93901**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by President Cullen at 3:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present**

President of the Committee: *Rob Cullen*  
Grower-Shipper Association: *Nikki Rodoni*  
(arrived at 3:45pm)  
No. Co. Chamber of Commerce: *Grant Leonard*  
So. Co. Chamber of Commerce: *Marc Bloom*  
Cannabis Industry: *Brett Saunders*  
South County Cities Citizen: *Marty H. Ramirez*  
Unincorporated County Citizen: *Paula Getzelman*  
(arrived at 3:45pm)

**Members Absent**

Central Coast Builders Association: *Keven McIntosh*  
Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce: *John Bailey*  
City of Salinas Citizen: *Cesar Lara*

**Staff Present**

*Patrick Mathews*, General Manager/CAO  
*Mandy Brooks*, Resource Recovery Manager  
*Erika J. Trujillo*, Clerk of the Board

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**MEETING TOPICS**

**1. Minutes of October 29, 2019 Meeting**

(4:27)

**Public Comment:** None  
**Committee Discussion:** The Committee discussed the presentation.  
**Motion:** By consensus the Committee approved the minutes as presented.

**2. Sun Street Transfer Station Tour (3:15pm to 3:45pm) and Modern Transfer Station Design Review**

(3:10) The Committee departed to the Sun Street Transfer Station.

(3:49) The Committee arrived back to the Conference Room.

(3:51) General Manager/CAO Mathews provided a presentation on modern transfer stations explaining in detail the differences between the current Sun Street Transfer Station and what is proposed to be developed. He explained the essential public services needed for the City of Salinas area and potential programs to help meet those needs. He presented the original Sun Street Material Recovery Center design ideas that were developed in 2007. Mr. Mathews reviewed the goals the Authority would like to accomplish, such as continue services to its more than 100,000 customers, assist in meeting new and increasing mandates, a reuse retail store, and meet the public's desires and demands reflected in the results of the 2018 independent, Market Research Public Services survey that was conducted for the Authority's service area.

**Public Comment:** None  
**Committee Discussion:** The Committee discussed the presentation.  
**Motion:** None; Informational Only

**3. Update on the City of Salinas' One-year Notice of Intent to Withdrawal from the Joint Powers Agreement with the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority**

(4:26) General Manager/CAO Mathews reported that Authority staff continues to work with the City of Salinas on issues that cannot be stopped or postponed. He indicated that Authority staff continues to look for potential sites to relocate the Sun Street Transfer Station. President Cullen provided a brief history on what has transpired in the last 13 months since the notice was given to the Authority. He informed the Committee that the Authority Board was informed at the January Board meeting by a City of Salinas Board member that the report conducted by R3 Consultants was completed and a couple of the City Council members along with City staff had received a briefing on the report, however, it would not be released publicly. President Cullen and General Manager Mathews discussed the negative impact if the City of Salinas would decide to withdraw, such as the litter and illegal dumping issues within the city limits if there was no recycling facility within city limits, the \$30-\$40 million debt the City of Salinas would acquire, the rate increases the South County cities would incur, and the traffic impacts for the roadways leading to the Monterey Regional Waste Management District landfill from self-haul customers. Mr. Cullen indicated the next best steps are for the Authority to consider the request of the report and to present a financial analysis to those interested on the impacts of the withdrawal on other member agencies.

**Public Comment:** None

**Committee Discussion:** The Committee discussed the report inquiring about the process to request the report. The Committee requested the financial analysis be presented to the group.

**Motion:** By consensus the Committee recommends the Authority Board request the release of the report from the City of Salinas and that they be provided with a copy of the request and a template to submit their own records request.

**4. Discussion on Establishing Regular Meeting Schedule**

(4:58) President Cullen indicated there was a conflict with the selection of the fourth Tuesday of the Month for the regular Committee meetings.

**Public Comment:** The Committee discussed the best time and days to hold the Advisory Committee meetings.

**Motion:** By consensus of the Committee selected the regular meetings to be on the fourth Thursday of the month at 3 p.m.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

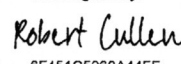
(5:06) None

**ADJOURNED**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

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APPROVED: RE451C5080A44EE  
Robert Cullen, President