

Pomona Waste & Recycling Task Force
May 6, 2015, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
Pomona City Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

- The meeting was called to order at 5:09 PM.
- For the June 1st Council meeting to ask for extension on moratorium, the Task Force was asked to be in attendance for support.
- Clarify how long the Task Force is asking for an extension, 6 months or the year. Would be better to ask for longer time frame then having to go back and ask for and additional extension.
- We discussed the efforts of the morning subcommittee to update the general committee. The subcommittee discussed the proposed caps on the categories and proposed limits of zero for Automobile Dismantling and Hazardous Waste Facilities, and discussed for Recycling Facility, Convenience to cap at one per grocery store including Walmart and Target. The subcommittee would discuss the bigger categories with the entire task force.
- Still need the number of business that fall in each category to determine the proposed caps.
- Kyle and Tom stated they have identified 21 businesses total, but still would like to verify with City's list.
- Once we find out how many, possible determine what the tonnage limit they bring in now. This could help with the caps.
- Some facilities can be classified in multiple categories, such as Recycled Wood Products. They do Greenwaste and Recycling. Would these facilities be considered a business in each category? Therefore, if cap was 3 for Greenwaste and 3 for Recycling, they would be in each category count or just one? The Task Force thinks so, but would need to discuss further.
- A discussion about limiting the total facilities and total tonnage, and the facilities cannot exceed the tonnage collectively or regulate total number of businesses and put size restriction. What is the most cost effective method? Some members think it would be easier to have total number of businesses capped for the easy of tracking and inspections.
- Limiting the number of businesses is very transparent.
- A discussion on growth of the city and the projected growth is 30,000 over the next 30 years and we also have to consider the 75% reduction by 2020.
- A proposal was put on the table
 - a) Cap on total number of facilities, max size (tonnage/acreage) as strategy to cap businesses. Easier to enforce; or
 - b) Propose number be inclusive of all these categories (except solid waste facilities).
 - A member does not think that the transfer station should be included in the total number to date.

- A discussion about what categories should be zero. The group agreed that Medical Waste, auto dismantling, and hazardous waste (excluding one-time round up events such as community cleanups, and the County of LA program) will be proposed as zero
- E-waste was recommended to lump in with the cap, since several businesses collect e-waste at their facilities.
- Further discussion on e-waste that if a business is a recycler and collects e-waste does that count as one or two facilities? Still need further discussion.
- Possibly consider accommodating E-Waste and not limit to zero.
- The Task Force agreed to write on whiteboard thoughts on how to break categories down.

Solid Waste Facilities (approx. 3 now) (Valley Vista, Recycled Wood, and City DTF)	Greenwaste, Recycling, and E-Waste
The Valley Vista (VV) facility is 1,000 tons/day but capacity is closer to 5,000 tons.	
Cap at 2	
Clarification was made that if VV opens up, the First Street DTF will close. Therefore, now the City would have only 2 facilities and nothing more can come in City. (Goes back to the morning discussion of monopoly of one business)	
Total of 2 facilities or no more than 1,000 tons per day whichever is more restrictive (Need Mark's input)	

- Have Mark be prepared to answer the last box under Solid Waste Facilities.
- Was asked that the Task Force continue to think how they want the cap to be and bring back to the next meeting.

The next meeting will be May 20th at 5 PM. The next subcommittee meetings will be cancelled for May 13th (due to subcommittee members having other meeting conflicts), and meet on May 20th 8 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Pomona Waste & Recycling Task Force - Core Values

*Community Engagement • Transparency • Mutual Respect • Open Mindedness
Mutual Consensus • Feasible, Solution-oriented Outcome • Collaborative Culture
Inclusive Atmosphere*