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Commission on the Environment
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Draft Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 9, 2020, 5:03 p.m.
City Hall, Room 421
One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Jr. Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Commissioners Eddie Ahn (Chair), Mike Sullivan and Johanna Wald.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public comment will be taken before the Committee takes action on any item.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

The Meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Ahn, Sullivan and Wald.

2. Approval of minutes of the February 10, 2020 Commission on the Environment Policy Committee meeting. (Explanatory Document: January 13, 2020 Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

A motion was made by Commission Sullivan to approve the minutes. Commissioner Wald offered a 2nd. The motion was then approved unanimously.

3. General Public Comment. Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.

There was no public comment.

4. Presentation on the Progress in Implementing the Refuse Separation Compliance Ordinance.

Sponsor: Deborah Raphael, Director; Speaker: Steven Chiv, Zero Waste Commercial Coordinator.
(Discussion)

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Steven Chiv, Zero Waste Commercial Coordinator discussed progress in implementing the Refuse Separation Compliance Ordinance (RSO), which builds off of San Francisco's Mandatory Recycling and Composting Ordinance. The ordinance went into effect July 1, 2019. At the 100th audit marker,

progress will be noted by promoting the efforts made by Large Refuse Generators (LRG) to reduce what they dispose.

5. Presentation on Forthcoming First Annual Report on the Antibiotic Use in Food Animals Ordinance.

Sponsor: Deborah Raphael, Director; Speakers: Jen Jackson, Toxics Reduction & Healthy Ecosystems Program Manager and Adam Weber, Antibiotics Fellow. (Discussion)

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Jen Jackson, Toxics Reduction & Healthy Ecosystems Program Manager and Antibiotics Fellow, Adam Weber, provided a comprehensive overview on the first Annual Report on the Antibiotic Use in Food Animals Ordinance. The findings disclose city departments and large grocers purchasing policies on meats and poultry that are raised with antibiotics. The presentation noted challenges for the city to adopt a citywide procurement policy that promotes "Good Food Purchasing" policy with an increase in plant-based proteins and organic meat & poultry raised without antibiotics.

There were public comments from representatives from NRDC.

6. Presentation on the Plans and Preparations for Climate Action Month. Speaker: Charles Sheehan, Chief Policy & Public Affairs Officer. (Discussion)

Charles Sheehan, Chief Policy & Public Affairs Officer, discussed upcoming plans and preparations for Mayor Breed's second Climate Action Month. He explained that a series of curated events are posted on the SF Environment website. He also highlighted major press opportunities and an Earth Month Reception at the War Memorial building. Commissioners will be provided dates and times for these events to encourage attendance and participation.

7. Director's Update. Deborah Raphael, Director (Discussion)

Director Raphael provided updates on Department of the Environment administrative and programmatic operations relating to Budget Planning, Strategic Planning, Clean Air/Transportation, Climate, Energy, Public Outreach and Education, Environmental Justice, Habitat Restoration, Green Building, Zero Waste, Toxics Reduction, and Urban Forestry.

8. New Business/Future Agenda Items. Charles Sheehan, Chief Policy and Public Affairs Officer (Discussion)

Charles Sheehan discussed the upcoming meetings and possible agenda items. CRV and plans for mobile recycling was a topic of discussion between the Commissioners.

There was no public comment

9. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50

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