CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT
POLICY COMMITTEE*

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018, 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, ROOM 201
ONE DR. CARLTON B. GOODLETT JR. PLACE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Commissioners Johanna Wald (Chair), Elmy Bermejo and Eddie Ahn.

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 5:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Wald and Ahn. Excused: Commissioner Bermejo.


Upon a motion by Commissioner Ahn, second by Commissioner Wald, the minutes were approved without objection. (Ayes: Commissioners Wald and Ahn. Noes: None. Absent: Commissioner Bermejo)

There was no public comment.

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.

Laura Deehan, CALPIRG, discussed lead in drinking water in San Francisco Unified School District facilities.

Commissioner Ahn asked about the relationship between safety and the parts per billion measurements.

4. Presentation on the San Francisco County Transportation Authority’s draft Emerging Mobility Evaluation Report. Sponsor: Deborah Raphael, Director; Speaker: Warren Logan, Senior Planner, San Francisco County Transportation Authority (Explanatory Document: County Transportation Authority Draft Emerging Mobility Evaluation Report) (Discussion)
Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Warren Logan, Senior Planner, San Francisco County Transportation Authority, discussed emerging mobility services and technologies, overview of the report, 10 guiding principles for emerging mobility, evaluating emerging mobility services, results overview and recommendations overview.

Commissioner Wald asked about jurisdiction and authority over emerging mobility, partnering with San Francisco residents to study transportation usage.

Commissioner Ahn asked about the emerging mobility impact fee, the impact of surge pricing to effect surge management and whether any jurisdictions are regulating the surge pricing scheme.

Commissioner Wald asked if San Francisco is working with other counties to come up with solutions to emerging mobility challenges and what level of public outreach will be conducted.

Director Raphael asked about the sustainability initiatives of the County Transportation Agency.

Commissioner Ahn asked about the definition of communities of concern.

Commissioner Wald asked about collecting data of companies that serve those with disabilities.

Director Raphael asked about the scooter and rideshare company impacts on San Francisco’s transit first goals and the next steps for this report.

There was no public comment.


Anthony Valdez, Commission Secretary, introduced a staff amendment to make various non-substantive amendments to the resolution and added a whereas to page 1, line 22 which would read, “Whereas, nine million tons of plastic enter the ocean each year and it is estimated that by 2050 there will be more plastic in the ocean than fish.”

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Jack Macy, Commercial Zero Waste Senior Coordinator and Alexa Kielty, Residential Zero Waste Assistant Coordinator discussed, plastic pollution in oceans, single use foodware litter, single use food and beverage packaging, marine debris, more plastics than fish in the oceans by 2050, small plastics not recovered in the recycling system, the Plastics and Litter Reduction Ordinance of 2018, plastic drink accessories, plastic free alternatives, fluorinated chemicals, health impacts of fluorinated chemicals, fluorinated chemicals in foodware, single use foodware reduction for events, 10 percent reusable cup requirement for events on City property, post-consumer recycled content after January 1, 2020, cost savings to small business and next steps.

Commissioner Ahn asked if there will be a future percentage increase in the requirement that large events in San Francisco have reusable cup options for at least 10 percent of attendees.
Commissioner Wald asked if there is language that can be added to emphasize the urgency of the problem.

Director Raphael asked staff to discuss the issue of fluorinated chemicals.

There was no public comment.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Ahn, second by Commissioner Wald, the Policy Committee voted to recommend that the Commission on the Environment approve Resolution File No. 2018-06-COE as amended with possible subsequent amendments in support of the San Francisco Plastic and Litter Reduction Ordinance without objection. (Ayes: Commissioners Wald and Ahn. Noes: None. Absent: Commissioner Bermejo)

6. Director’s Update. Deborah Raphael, Director (Discussion)

Deborah Raphael, Director, discussed a press conference for the introduction of the Litter Reduction Ordinance, a zero waste hearing before the Board of Supervisors, a budget hearing before the Board of Supervisors, a cabinet meeting with Mayor Farrell, future hearings for the Litter Reduction Ordinance, a project with the C40 Women for Climate Initiative about women and bicycling and the Global Climate Action Summit website thehumsum.org.

There was no public comment.

7. New Business/Future Agenda Items. Charles Sheehan, Policy and Communications Director (Discussion and Possible Action)

Charles Sheehan, Policy and Communications Director, discussed the next Policy Committee meeting in July being the annual site visit.

There was no public comment.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

The next meeting of the Commission on the Environment Policy Committee is scheduled for Monday, July 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall, Room 421.

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