

Special Meeting
July 17, 2007

Chairperson Barton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 250 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, California.

Present: Barton, Cordell, Drekmeier

Absent: Kleinberg

1. Oral Communications

Greg Kerber spoke regarding the lack of appreciated value to the BMR units.

2. Review and Recommendation on Adoption of a Campaign Contribution Limit System for the City of Palo Alto

MOTION: Council Member Cordell moved, seconded by Drekmeier, that the Policy and Services Committee recommends the City Council Adopt a Resolution creating: 1. Voluntary contribution limits of \$300 per individual or group including in-kind contributions, adjusted each January 1 based upon the local CPI Index. 2. The resolution is self-enforced. 3. Adopt a voluntary total expenditure limit of \$30 thousand including in-kind contributions. 4. Incentives for participation include waiver of the fee for ballot statement. 4. Candidates will sign pledge of commitment to program and will be allowed to use designation of "catch phrase" for their campaign.

MOTION PASSED 2-1 Cordell, Drekmeier yes, Barton no.

3. Review and Recommendation that the City Council Approve the Zero Waste Operational Plan

MOTION: Council Member Cordell moved, seconded by Barton, that the Policy and Services Committee recommends to the City Council: 1) Recommend a tiered approach for the continuing review, approval, and implementation of the Zero Waste Operational Plan (Attachment B), consisting of the following

elements: A. Programs – Direct staff to immediately begin implementing any recommended programs that will have minor budgetary impact. As for the other programs, direct staff to begin identifying costs and funding mechanisms, including inclusion of specified programs in the Request for Proposals for new collection services to be bid in Spring 2008. Implementation of such programs will be reviewed and evaluated based upon their cost and diversion effectiveness. B. Policies – Approve plan and continue the discussion of new policies and regulatory requirements such as mandatory recycling and product bans to give staff direction on whether to pursue such actions in conjunction with the start of the new collection contract in 2009. C. Facilities – Approve the regional facilities approach in the Request for Proposals for new collection services and continue the discussion of local facilities in a separate process. Said activities are to be included in the proposals as alternatives, to be reviewed and evaluated at that time based upon their cost effectiveness. Discourage location of local facilities on dedicated park land. If no feasible alternative arises, proposals on dedicated park land will go to a vote of the people consistent with the dedicated park land ordinance.

MOTION PASSED 3-0. Cordell, Barton, Drekmeier yes

4. Discussion of Upcoming Meeting Dates and Topics

Next meeting 9/11/07 BMR , Immigration and referral on Mediation svc.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

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