

SOCRRA

Regular Meeting – June 8, 2016

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SOCRRA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016 – Oak Park City Hall

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Mr. G. Rassel, Chair

<u>Present</u>	<u>Votes</u>	<u>Municipality</u>
M. Baumgarten	4	Berkley
C. Wilson	3	Beverly Hills
J. Valentine	6	Birmingham
M. Pollock	3	Clawson
L. Cureton	6	Ferndale
*A. LeCureaux	4	Hazel Park
A. Sullivan	3	Huntington Woods
K. Marten (Alternate)	1	Lathrup Village
R. Fortura	7	Oak Park
S. Pietrzak	1	Pleasant Ridge
G. Rassel	15	Royal Oak
K. Bovensiep (Alternate)	<u>14</u>	Troy
Total	68	

Absent
None

* Mr. A. LeCureaux, representative from Hazel Park arrived at 9:35 a.m. and became the voting member for Hazel Park.

Also Present

J. A. McKeen, General Manager
R. Jackovich, Operations Manager
K. Bever, Executive Assistant
R. Davis, General Counsel
T. Jones, City of Hazel Park
P. Greve, Waste Management

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The Chair recognized visitors and called for public comment. There being no persons present who wished to be heard, the Chair closed the public comment segment.

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Motion by Mr. L. Cureton, supported by Mr. J. Valentine:

That the Agenda be approved as submitted.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, Jones, Sullivan, Marten,
Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12581-

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mrs. A. Sullivan:

That the Consent Agenda be approved as Submitted.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – May 11, 2016

That the May 11, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS – NO. RA-762

That Warrant No. RA-762 in the amount of \$1,583,012.06 be approved and payments authorized.

INFORMATION REPORTS

That the monthly information reports be received and filed.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, Jones, Sullivan, Marten,
Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12582-

Motion by Mr. M. Baumgarten, supported by Mr. M. Pollock:

That the report on the MDEQ and Recycling Partnership Recycling Cart Grants be received and filed.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mr. LeCureaux said that Senate Bill 922, which addresses electronics recycling, has been introduced in the State Senate. Mr. LeCureaux requested that SOCRRA staff prepare an analysis of the Bill for review at the July Board meeting.

-12583-

Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mr. D. Schueller:

That the Chairman declare the public hearing on the proposed Budget open at 9:34 a.m., no persons were present to provide public comment. The Chairman declared the public hearing closed at 9:34 a.m.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12584-

Motion by Mrs. A. Sullivan, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

WHEREAS, this Board is required to adopt an annual budget for the fiscal year 2016/17, which budget will be effective July 1, 2016, and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this budget requires the establishing of disposal rates to be effective during the period of said budget, and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has reviewed the current disposal rates and recommends that the disposal rates be adjusted to provide revenues to the Authority for payment of the expenses of operation and improvements to the disposal system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following rates for disposal services be approved effective July 1, 2016:

Community	2016/17 Total Service Cost	Working Capital Cost	Total 2016/17 Cost	Cost per Billing	Monthly Surcharge
Berkley	\$897,938	\$25,429	\$923,367	\$38,474	\$6,304
Beverly Hills	623,496	21,129	644,625	26,859	\$4,227
Birmingham	1,395,634	49,531	1,445,165	60,215	\$9,401
Clawson	750,050	26,597	776,647	32,360	\$5,410
Ferndale	1,664,761	48,841	1,713,602	71,400	\$10,135
Hazel Park	1,082,688	29,941	1,112,629	46,360	\$6,488
Huntington Woods	339,374	13,060	352,434	14,685	\$0
Lathrup Village	280,069	7,963	288,032	12,001	\$1,648
Oak Park	1,585,363	44,063	1,629,426	67,893	\$9,774
Pleasant Ridge	173,665	7,220	180,885	7,537	\$1,169
Royal Oak	4,318,788	122,314	4,441,102	185,046	\$27,775
Troy	4,088,619	134,790	4,223,409	175,975	\$27,348
	17,200,446	\$530,878	\$17,731,324	\$738,805	\$109,679

The following rate structure is proposed for non-members:

NON-MEMBERS		
		2016/17 Rate per Ton
Municipal Solid Waste & Bulky Waste		\$60.00
Yard Waste	Leaves & Grass	60.00
Minimum Charge (1,000 lbs.)		35.00
Dual Stream Recyclables Credit (current contractors)		20.00
Municipal Solid Waste (with signed contract)		29.00

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan, Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12585-

Motion by Mr. L. Cureton, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

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Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12586-

Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mr. M. Pollock:

That the report on the Annual Organization Meeting and election of officers which is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. at the Royal Oak Senior Center, 3500 Marais, Royal Oak, Michigan be received and filed. It is recommended that the Chair appoint a Nominating Committee composed of three members of the Board who should meet to select candidates to the various offices, for consideration of the Board of Trustees at the Organization Meeting.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12587-

Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mr. M. Pollock:

That the Board approve contracting with the MMRMA for liability and property insurance in the amount of \$76,562 per year for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 at the current level of insurance coverage with an increase in the stop loss limit to \$150,000.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12588-

Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mr. M. Baumgarten:

Whereas: The County of Oakland enacted and the State of Michigan approved the Oakland County Solid Waste Plan, which identifies composting of yard waste to be the most effective management approach for these biodegradable materials, and

Whereas: SOCRRA and the 12 SOCRRA communities of Berkley, Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Clawson, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak and Troy, have demonstrated leadership in best practices in solid waste management, recycling and composting and has instituted many programs which reduce waste and increase recycling and composting, and

Whereas: At considerable expense since 1992, SOCRRA has constructed and operated a composting facility to ensure that yard waste from the SOCRRA member communities would be properly composted and returned to use as a soil amendment that protects plants, minimizes erosion, and improves soil composition and nutritive value that is highly valued by the residents of the SOCRRA communities. SOCRRA's composting operation is consistent with the requirements of the Oakland County Solid Waste Plan, and

Whereas: Landfills are not designed to effectively handle biodegradable material. Disposing of yard waste in landfills, even landfills with methane capture systems, allows significant amounts of methane, a potent greenhouse gas, to escape into the atmosphere, resulting in adverse impacts on the environment, and

Whereas: Introducing yard waste into Michigan's landfills will not have an appreciable impact on energy production and will accelerate the depletion of existing landfill space, eventually causing an increase in disposal costs for Michigan's residents and businesses, and

Whereas: Composting operations employ 4 people for every 10,000 tons composted and disposing of yard waste in landfills only employs 1 person for every 10,000 tons, resulting in a net loss of 3 jobs for every 10,000 tons diverted from compost facilities to landfills,

It is hereby resolved that SOCRRA opposes House Bill 5659 which would lift the ban on yard waste from landfills, because of its detrimental effect on SOCRRA, the 12 SOCRRA communities, the local and state economies and the environment.

Adopted by the SOCRRA Board of Trustees on this day, Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12589-

Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mr. J. Valentine:

That the report on the MRF Single Stream Conversion be received and filed and that the following resolution regarding the Single Stream MRF be approved.

SOCRRA DRAFT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the current SOCRRA Service Contracts with the three (3) existing service providers terminate on June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA is working with the three (3) existing service providers to extend the Service Contracts through June 30, 2027 as allowed; and

WHEREAS, any extension of the existing Service Contracts will require that each service provider be ready and able to convert to single-stream recycling effective July 1, 2017 and continuing through June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA wishes to convert all of its member communities to single stream recycling effective July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA has identified and analyzed alternatives to the management and processing of the single stream recyclables going forward from July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the single stream recyclables may be managed by delivery for processing to third party entities/facilities; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA, in addition to analyzing the use of a third party facility, wishes to construct its own facility to receive, manage and process the SOCRRA single stream recyclables as well as single stream recyclables from third party sources; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA is in the process of negotiating a construction contract, negotiating loan opportunities, analyzing bonding, analyzing costs and analyzing member community funding all in furtherance of the goal of developing/constructing SOCRRA's own facility for the management and processing of single stream recyclables; and

WHEREAS, SOCRRA administration wishes to obtain a resolution of support for the process of SOCRRA working to develop/construct its own single stream facility recognizing that continued negotiations are required and that final decisions by the SOCRRA Board are still required.

NOW, THEREFORE, the SOCRRA Board does hereby resolve to have the SOCRRA administration continue to negotiate all aspects of developing/constructing a SOCRRA single stream recycling facility with all final decisions to be brought to the SOCRRA Board for final discussions and decisions.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Marten,
Fortura, Rassel, Bovensiep (66 votes)

Nays: Sullivan (1 vote), Pietrzak (1 vote)

Absent: None

Ms. Sullivan and Mr. Pietrzak indicated that while they were supportive of the resolution, they were not able to vote in favor of the resolution because they had not reviewed it with their respective city councils.

Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. J. Valentine, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

That SOCRRA continue to provide free MRF tours for groups from the SOCRRA communities and implement a fee for MRF tours for non-resident groups.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

-12591-

Motion by Mr. L. Cureton, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Baumgarten, Wilson, Valentine, Pollock, Cureton, LeCureaux, Sullivan,
Marten, Fortura, Pietrzak, Rassel, Bovensiep (68 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

The Chair ordered the meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

APPROVED: _____
Chair

Secretary