

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING NOTES**  
**August 4, 2020**

Virtual meeting held online via Microsoft Teams

**SWAC MEMBERS**

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Kelly Doordan, Ellen Ryan , Sara Ducey, Sara Bixby, Paula Jenson, Linda Andrews, Gina Angiola, Carol Jones, Mark Symborski (non-voting member), Heidi Lovett

Absent: Jamie Andrews, Mark Freedman, Jelena Krstic, Adam Diamond, David Winstead, Candy Schimming

**COUNTY STAFF - DSWS**

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Lisa Shine – Recycling and Resource Management

**GUESTS**

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None

Discussion:

Purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss the 10 year solid waste management plan draft and make note of the major points on which we want to comment.

Q – is the intention to focus on errors, typos etc or programmatic items.

A – focus on recommendations rather than line editing that staff can do.

POINT: The plan needs more thorough copy editing for typos, inconsistencies in numbers, etc. as it is not yet of a quality expected in a public review draft.

POINT: The plan Executive Summary needs to summarize the recommended program options (mostly found in section 5) not outline the plan contents.

**Consensus topics/areas:**

- SWAC supports the development of a Pay as You Throw (PAYT) system for pricing residential waste collection.
- Reiterate need for consistent waste collection system in Subdistrict B – longtime SWAC priority
- Education of generators and consumers needs to be a high priority of the plan.
- SWAC agrees with the recommendations to implement organics management programs
- The plan references the work of the Zero Waste Task Force and the Strategic Plan to Advance Composting, but it doesn't reference the Climate Action and Resilience Plan (CARP) under development and due for completion in early 2021. This misses an additional opportunity for collaboration and identification of co-benefits.

- SWAC endorses the final recommendations of the Zero Waste Task Force as well as what we (SWAC) submitted in our spring budget letter.
- As the economy strengthens again over the coming years, the County should continue to assign, and add as needed, staff resources to implement the priorities of the plan.

Moved by Lovett, seconded by Ducey, to draft a letter with the consensus topics identified. No opposed, all in favor. Motion carried.

Kelly, Heidi and Ellen (copy editing) to draft the letter.

Ducey moved, Ellen seconded, to adjourn. 6:50 p.m.

## **ACRONYMS**

C&D	Construction and Demolition	MES	Maryland Environmental Services
CC	County Council	MRF	Materials Recycling Facility
CE	County Executive	MML	Maryland Municipal League
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas	NTR	Nothing to Report
CPI	Consumer Price Index	OCC	Old Corrugated Cardboard
DAFIG	Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group	OLO	Office of Legislative Oversight
DSWS	Division of Solid Waste Services	PAYT	Pay As You Throw
DEP	Department of Environmental Protection	RRF	Resource Recovery Facility
EfW	Energy from Waste	RRMD	Recycling & Resource Management Division
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning	SA	Service Area for County collection
FTE	Full Time Employee	SCA	Sugarloaf Community Association
FY	Fiscal Year	SWAC	Solid Waste Advisory Committee
HHW	Household Hazardous Waste	SWMP	Solid Waste Management Plan
MDE	Maryland Department of the Environment	T&E	Transportation and Environment Committee
MC	Montgomery County	TPD	Tons per Day
		ZWTF	Zero Waste Task Force