

Public Works Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
Tuesday May 19, 2009
Public Works Conference Room

CAC Representatives Present

Mr. LaMonte Williams, Chairperson
Ms. Patricia VonOhlen, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Phil Bomersheim
Mr. Douglas Coenen
Mr. Jim Monahan
Mr. Terry Savage

CAC Representatives Absent

None

Guests

Ms. Martha Bradley
Ms. Gloria Deloatch

Public Works Representatives

Mr. H. Reed Fowler, Jr., Director of Public Works
Mr. Roy Chesson, CAC Liaison

Call to Order

Mr. LaMonte Williams called the meeting to order at 5:42 pm.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the April 21, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

Discussion of Possible New Members

Ms. Bradley, who was in attendance, has been appointed as a new member from the Central district with her term beginning next month. Ms. Deloatch, who was in attendance at the invitation of Mr. Bomersheim, is interested in joining as a representative of the South district. Mr. Fowler will send her an invitation letter with an application form.

Mr. Cohen announced that due to his membership on another City committee, he is required to resign from the CAC. He suggested that we contact Mr. Donald Jennings and invite him to join.

Mr. Chesson was tasked with providing at the next meeting a list of all the CAC members showing when their terms expire.

Possible Change to CAC By-Laws

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the change to Article II, Section 1 of the By-Laws that was discussed last month and which was promulgated to all CAC members on May 4th and which was published in the agenda. The proposed change eliminates the requirement that there be at least one member to represent each of the four automated waste collection days. However, prior to the meeting, Ms. VonOhlen recommended another, reworded version that she felt was clearer. Her recommended change was also published in the agenda. During the discussion, it was agreed that Ms. VonOhlen's version was better. This version was voted on and was unanimously approved. The approved version was:

Section 1. Membership. The Committee shall consist of eleven (11) members appointed by the Director of Public Works, two (2) of which shall be youth representatives, two (2) from the North Voting District, two (2) from the Central Voting District, two (2) from the South Voting District, and three (3) members at large. Additionally, there will be four (4) ex officio members consisting of Public Works Division heads or their designee. The ex officio members shall not be entitled to vote on committee matters.

Mr. Chesson was tasked with changing the By-Laws on the CAC website and to make necessary changes to the home site to reflect the required make-up of the Committee.

Mr. Williams noted that the By-Laws call for regular meetings once per quarter and requested that the By-Laws be further changed to reflect that meetings are held monthly. Mr. Chesson was tasked with initiating the actions necessary to make this change.

Open Discussion on Topics for Next Year

The following topics were proposed for discussion during the next year:

- Sustainability. Mr. Fowler gave an update on the status of the Sustainability Team and how the team members are preparing and education themselves. It was recommended that an update on this be presented at all CAC meetings.
- Recycling Pilot Program (Recycle Bank). This is currently on hold while the recycling contract is being re-competed. The CAC would like an update in the Fall.
- Education of Public on Public Works Issues. The CAC would like to brainstorm ideas for getting the word out to the public on matters such as putting small amounts of "bulk waste" in the automated cans instead of on the curb.
- Consent Order Update.
- Street Sweeping Issues. Particularly parking issues associated with street sweeping in the southeast community.
- Group Project. Mr. Williams suggested that the CAC participate in some sort of group project next year.

Calendar

The following calendar items were noted on the agenda

- May 17 – 23 – National Public Works Week
- June 27 – Next Household Hazardous Waste and e-Cycling collection at Gildersleeve Middle School

Members were reminded to send Mr. Chesson any calendar items that they wanted included in the next agenda.

Adjournment

Mr. Williams adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.