MINUTES OF THE GREENSBORO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION AUGUST 28, 2018

Members Present

Brenton Boyce

Kay Brandon, Vice Chair

Tony Davies

Bob Davis

Mary Louise Smith

Nelson Stover

Carlos Townsend

Godfrey Uzochukwu

Staff Present

Chris Marriott

Nancy Lindemeyer

Dale Wyrick

Tori Carle

The Solid Waste Management Commission met on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the Field Operations Training Room. City Council liaison Goldie Wells was in attendance.

Vice Chair Kay Brandon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of minutes of July 24, 2018 meeting

The minutes were approved by acclamation.

Old Business

a. Staff Updates

Chris Marriott stated that he had invited Waste Management to make a brief presentation to the Commission at the September meeting. He said that NewGen Strategies & Solutions is still working on the Yard Waste Automated Cart Expansion Impact Study.

Dale Wyrick provided an update on a recycling request from Republic Services. He said that the city will need to begin the process for rebidding this contract soon, and will have to start paying for recycling in the future. He asked the Commission to look at ways the city can adapt and fund recycling in the changing recycling market. He will be addressing the issue at an upcoming City Council Work Session and will inform Commission members of the date and time once confirmed.

b. State of Recycling

Waste Reduction Supervisor Tori Carle gave an update on recycling activities. She stated that the GSO Collects app continues to gain new users and now has 4,700 residents signed up for reminders, 10,000 waste wizards users, 18,000 calendar views and 3,900 mobile downloads. Outreach efforts continue with GSO Collects information featured on billboards, the 2019 collection calendar mailer, a television ad, and signs on trash collection trucks.

Tori also explained the #RecycleRight campaign that is underway to help reduce contamination in residential recycling containers. The campaign has drivers and inspectors check recycling containers for contamination, and postcards to notify residents of contamination found (see attached news release for more details). Tori said that Greensboro has a 22% contamination rate, and is aiming to reduce that number to single digits.

Tony Davies asked about recycling of shredded paper. Tori explained that shredded paper can be placed in a clear plastic bag, but the city prefers it in a paper grocery bag that is stapled shut.

c. NC Municipalities Recycling Ordinances Report

Tony Davies reviewed the recycling ordinances chart, stating that 5 North Carolina municipalities have recycling ordinances (see attached chart).

d. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Bob Davis made a motion to appoint Kay Brandon as Chair and Tony Davies as Vice-Chair. Brenton Boyce seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm. The next scheduled Commission meeting is Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 3 p.m. in the Field Operations Training Room, 401 Patton Avenue.

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Respectfully submitted, Kay Brandon, Chair

		Asheville	Chapel Hill	Durham	Fayetteville	Kannapolis
Has recycling ordinance		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Single/Multiple					
	Stream	Unclear	Single	Single	Single	Single
Applies to Multi-family dwellings						
Existing	Compulsory	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New	Compulsory	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Detailed specs for						
dumpster location etc		Not found	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pickup frequency		Weekly	Weekly	Every other	Weekly	Every other