

ALAMEDA COUNTY
LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

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DATE: February 16, 2018

TO: Directors and Alternates
Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FROM: Larry Brooks, Secretary
Joint Powers Authority

SUBJECT: **Meeting of the Board of Directors**

The next regular meeting of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for **Thursday, February 22, 2018. The meeting will begin at 10:15 a.m., or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting at the Alameda County Administrator's Office, 1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Board Chambers, Oakland, CA.**

Attached is the agenda packet for the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Lidice De La Fuente at (510) 567-8291.

Thank you.

Attachments

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

A G E N D A

General Board Meeting

February 22, 2018

10:15 a.m. or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting

Alameda County Administrator's Office
1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Board Chambers
Oakland, California

NOTICE: All meetings of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors are open to the public. Those wishing to address the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda may do so during the open forum section of the meeting.

- 1) **Open Forum** (Discussion)
Directors, alternates, staff, or members of the public may address the Board of Directors regarding items not on the agenda. The Board will listen to matters presented but may not take action on these items.
- 2) **Director's Report** (Discussion)
- 3) **Program Operations Committee**
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- 5) **General Board Meeting**
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Material related to an item on this Agenda, including those submitted to the Board of Directors after distribution of the agenda packet, and are available for public inspection at the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department office during normal business hours.

Agendas are available on the Department's website at www.achhd.org

**PROGRAM OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

January 18, 2018

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente, April Williamson

Others: Sherri Willis, Alameda County Public Health Department

Absent: Desley Brooks, Oakland

Director John J. Bauters chaired the meeting at 9:18 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Secretary to the Board, Larry Brooks alerted Directors of a proposed ballot initiative funded by the lead paint companies involved in the lead paint litigation that would use bonds to pay for the remediation of lead hazards in pre-1978 housing and that would prevent jurisdictions from suing the paint companies in the future. Mr. Brooks indicated that Directors could express their concern before the California Attorney General by January 26, 2018. Director Mary Hatsume Vella offered to reach out to Assembly members Bonta and Quirk and the Alameda Labor Council.

Mr. Brooks provided an update on Smart Oakland which is building a web application that would map out buildings in Oakland that have been identified to have lead hazards. Directors Gwen Hardy and Director John J. Bauters stated that the over reliance of technology can be less impactful and that the voice of an individual is the most powerful and effective way to tell the story.

The Department is working with California State University East Bay on student internships that can assist the Department with data gathering in an effort to categorize lead sources and identify emerging trends.

Mr. Brooks and Public Health Department's Public Information Officer, Sherri Willis, provided an update on the lead testing at various schools in the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) indicating that they were not aware of any communication sent to OUSD parents informing of the issue and about child blood lead testing. Directors expressed their frustration and stated their intent to be proactive in alerting parents and OUSD employees of the lead testing results. JPA Directors agreed to make a final request to OUSD administrators to meet before February 1, 2018; request remediation timelines for the "in-progress" faucet repairs referenced in the OUSD Summary of Test Results sheet, details on how their being remediated and what's being offered in the interim; attend the January 24, 2018 school board meeting to address the issue as part of public comments on the school board's agenda; draft a letter for schools and labor unions to inform of the issue and if absolutely necessary contact the media.

Directors acknowledged the challenges or backlash that the Department could face and offered their total support.

3) **Outreach and Education Monthly Report**

Lidice De La Fuente stated the Department is focusing on completing healthy home assessments and interventions under Lead Hazard Control, minor home repair and rehabilitation programs. Director Vella announced that Spectrum Community Services is currently seeking clients to enroll in their programs.

Director Bauters requested a review and discussion for the next JPA meeting on the goals and objectives for the current fiscal year in order to reflect the Department's deliverables, pointing out that thus far, the Department has almost reached its objective for the healthy housing assessments. Director Bauters also requested a break down for the public outreach objective separating website related outreach and community face-to-face outreach. Directors agreed.

Mr. Brooks stated that the Department staff will strive to publish additional articles and that an increase in trainings will provide an opportunity to reach out to other government agencies and the community. Consequently, noting that he has made a request to the Director of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for additional funding to support trainings in multiple languages.

4) **Goals and Objectives FY 17/18**

Ms. De La Fuente provided highlights on the goals and objectives mentioning the US Renovate Repair Paint rule training held in Emeryville; the completion of 212 healthy housing assessments under the Lead Hazard Control Programs, 58 visual assessments, environmental investigations, and property clearances of lead hazards at properties where lead poisoned and/or lead exposed children reside and lastly the Department's response to 114 unsafe lead renovation/conditions complaints.

5) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements from Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 A.M.

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

January 18, 2018

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente, April Williamson

Others: Sherri Willis, Alameda County Public Health Department

Absent: Desley Brooks, Oakland

The meeting was called to order by John J. Bauters at 10:33 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Larry Brooks stated he continues to seek support for additional funding for the Department from the Alameda County Board of Supervisors indicating he is scheduled to meet with Board Supervisor Carson to discuss establishing or utilizing a non-profit arm to collect donations, obtaining general funding and a ballot measure to increase in the County Service Area.

Furthermore, the Department is partnering with Rebuilding Together on a grant application to canvas communities and to conduct home lead testing. Mr. Brooks will keep Directors informed of any new developments.

Ms. De La Fuente distributed the JPA stipend claim forms.

3) **Mid-Year Budget Presentation FY 17/18**

Healthy Homes Department Finance Manager, April Williamson, provided an update on the Department's mid-year budget referring to the June 2017 JPA approved budget and a revised budget reflecting an \$805,000 increase in revenues, thus, noting the reason for the discrepancy in the Department's goals and objectives.

The revisions in the Department's budget is due to the extension of the Pay for Success Project to December 2017; finalized Memorandum of Understanding with Alameda County Health Care Service Agency for the Fixing to Stay and Independent Living Facilities projects; and, city contracts with Oakland and Union City for minor home repair both finalized in the Fall of 2017. Also, included in the revised budget is funding from the City of Fremont contract for rehabilitation services slated to be approved in February 2018. Ms. Williamson noted that the funding is earmarked for housing projects, one project based position and a temporary staff.

Larry Brooks highlighted the importance of obtaining long term sustainability noting that due to the lack of securing permanent funding, the Department has seen a decrease in the hiring of regular staff to more than 50 percent and an increase in temporary staffing to 30 percent. Director Susan Wengraf suggested asking the Alameda County Board of Supervisors for assistance with State legislature for additional funding noting lead poisoning is a statewide issue.

- 4) **Announcements by Board Directors**
There were no announcements from Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2018

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates:

Staff: Larry Brooks, Lidice De La Fuente, April Williamson

Others: Sherri Willis, Alameda County Public Health Department

Absent: Desley Brooks, Oakland; Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

The meeting was called to order by John J. Bauters at 10:44 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Mr. Larry Brooks shared with the Directors talking points that were put together by the Get the Lead Out Coalition, a coalition formed by the California Public Interest Research Group and Smart Oakland demanding lead testing of all water fountains in Oakland schools; lead in water levels be brought to 1 part per billion; make parents aware of the importance for child blood lead testing and to consider the Oakland Soda Tax to fund repairs.

Mr. Brooks announced that the City of Oakland Deputy City Administrator and Acting Chief Resiliency Officer both have resigned, therefore, a major setback for Oakland's Proactive Rental Inspection Pilot Program. The change in staffing has prompted Department staff to recommend an ordinance similar to the City of Baltimore requiring landlords to conduct home lead testing.

The Department staff will meet with Assemblyman Bill Quirk's Office staff to discuss a blood lead screening event in their district, which the Alameda County District Attorney's Office has expressed interest in funding. Mr. Brooks stated he will keep Directors abreast of any new developments.

3) **Approval of Minutes -Program Operations Committee**

a) **Minutes (December 21, 2017)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 21, 2017 Program Operations Committee meeting.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Mary Hatsume Vella **Ayes:** 3-Wengraf; Vella; Bauters

Absent: Desley Brooks

4) **Approval of Minutes -Administration and Finance Committee**

a) **Minutes (December 21, 2017)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 21, 2017 Administration and Finance Committee meeting.

Moved: Mary Hatsume Vella **Seconded:** Susan Wengraf **Ayes:** 3-Wengraf; Vella; Bauters
Absent: Desley Brooks

5) **Approval of Minutes -General Board Meeting**

a) **Minutes (December 21, 2017)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 21, 2017 General Board meeting.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Mary Hatsume Vella **Ayes:** 3-Wengraf; Vella; Bauters

Absent: Desley Brooks

6) **Announcements by Board Directors**

Director Bauters invited Directors and staff to the City of Emeryville's Black History Month event on February 6th, 2018 at 5:30PM at the Emeryville City Council Chambers announcing that several community members will be honored and he will introduce a resolution to hang the African flag at City Hall during the month of February 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 A.M.