

**ALAMEDA COUNTY**  
**LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM**

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DATE: May 18, 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, May 24, 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, 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

**May 24, 2018**

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

Alameda County Administrator's Office  
1221 Oak Street, 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Report** (Information)
- 3) **Program Operations Committee**  
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- 6) **Announcements by Board Directors** (Information)

**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.**

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**PROGRAM OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

April 26, 2018

**Attendance:**

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

**Non-Voting Directors:**

**Alternates:** Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda; Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

**Staff:** Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente

**Others:** Sharon Murray, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Superfund Program

**Absent:**

Director John J. Bauters chaired the meeting at 9:20 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Secretary to the Board, Larry Brooks, announced that the Oakland Unified School District Board of Education adopted lowering the standard for lead in water to 1 parts per billion by 2019. The current level is 15 parts per billion.

Mr. Brook introduced Sharon Murray, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Superfund Program Site Manager who discussed the upcoming West Oakland Lead Cleanup and Soil Study taking place April 2018 to June 2018. The study will include the excavation and cleanup of 11 yards located close to a former smelter and analyzing for 16 different metals and manganese. Ms. Murray stated that EPA is also conducting the soil study to better understand the presence of lead, and other heavy metals, in the soil in West Oakland. As a result of meeting with the West Oakland Indicator's project, EPA staff will produce a fact sheet geared towards the community explaining the study. A fact sheet announcing the study geared towards agencies was distributed at the meeting. Directors invited Ms. Murray to the September 2018 JPA Board meeting to discuss the results of the study.

Department staff wrote an article appearing on the March 2018 California Health Department Program (DPH) Newsletter discussing lead screening challenges. Mr. Brooks noted the resistance from the medical community and the perception that higher income households are not affected by lead poisoning. Director Susan Wengraf stated that regulations are limiting the testing to those in lower economic groups with assumptions that they're more at risk for lead poisoning. Director John J. Bauters noted that physicians and pediatricians opposed Assembly Bill 1316 Universal Testing. Director Desley Brooks indicated changing legislation requiring blood lead testing to be included with immunizations could serve as early intervention. Director Gwen Hardy noted that People United for a Better Life in Oakland (PUEBLO) also received push back from the medical community. Mr. Brooks added that the Department staff follows the State DPH criteria for conducting environmental investigations at 15 micrograms per deciliter.

Larry Brooks alerted Directors of the KALW public radio series, "Persistent Poison: Lead and the Bay Area Housing Crisis", an in-depth look at childhood lead poisoning in the Bay Area, which has been well-received and has gotten national attention. Mr. Brooks stated he would share the series at the next meeting.

3) **Outreach and Education Monthly Report**

Lidice De La Fuente stated that the Department staff conducted two mass mailings to promote lead hazard control program reaching out to Oakland Housing Authority participants and lead poisoning prevention to WIC participants. Ms. De La Fuente noted that the delay in healthy housing interventions is due to the delay in the implementation of the Fixing to Stay Program and the shortage of contractors able to conduct work under the Lead Hazard Control and Minor Home Repair Programs. The Department staff has conducted contractor outreach at local businesses frequented by contractors including Home Depot.

Mr. Brooks stated that the shortage of contractors is due to contractors focus on new construction; construction in other areas such as Santa Rosa, CA and the shortage of EPA Renovate Repair Paint (RRP) certified contractors. The Department continues to promote the EPA RRP trainings to contractors.

Director Bauters thanked staff for staffing Emeryville's Spring Community Expo.

4) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 A.M.

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

April 26, 2018

**Attendance:**

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

**Non-Voting Directors:**

**Alternates:** Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda; Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

**Staff:** Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente

**Others:**

**Absent:**

The meeting was called to order by John J. Bauters at 9:46 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Larry Brooks informed Directors of the meeting with Supervisors Chan and Miley to discuss a ballot measure to increase the CSA service charge including the Unincorporated area. Mr. Brooks stated that Oakland District 5 Councilman, Noel Gallo and Bernard Ashcraft from the Bay Area Business Roundtable who had also expressed lead concerns were in attendance. Mr. Brooks stated that the Supervisors were in support of a ballot measure for 2020 and that he would provide additional information on the outcome of the meeting at the next months' meeting.

Director Mary Hatsume Vella informed of a proposed ballot measure that would invalidate the lead litigation. Mr. Brooks indicated that the Oakland Get the Lead Out Coalition is putting together a counter campaign on that ballot measure. Directors asked for a presentation on the Oakland Get the Lead Out Coalition counter campaign for the June 14, 2018 JPA meeting.

3) **Audit Report For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

Larry Brooks alerted Directors that the Department's Audit report was completed and no findings were reported. He noted that the audit is conducted every year and is a part of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requirement. Bound copies were made available to Directors at the meeting.

4) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 A.M.

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM  
**GENERAL BOARD**  
MEETING MINUTES

April 26, 2018

**Attendance:**

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**Non-Voting Directors:**

**Alternates:** Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda; Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

**Staff:** Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente

**Others:**

**Absent:**

The meeting was called to order by John J. Bauters at 9:54 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Larry Brooks announced the Housing Habitability and Health: Oakland's Health Crisis press release indicating it reports a number of studies related to health and housing and includes several recommendations including that the City of Oakland adopt a rental inspection program to address mold and lead. Media present were Telemundo, NBC Bay Area, Channel 2, KQED and Oakland Unified School District Communications Director, John Sasaki.

Larry Brooks honored former city of Alameda JPA Director Lil Arnerich who passed away March 11, 2018. Mr. Arnerich served on the JPA Board as Alternate from 1994 to 1995 and as a Director from 1995 to 1997.

Mr. Brooks announced the Interim Chief at the CA DPH Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, Rick Kreutzer, MD; and, noting the position is in process of being filled permanently. Interested candidates can direct questions to Rick Kreutzer, MD.

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

a) **Minutes (March 22, 2018)**

**Action:** The Board approved the meeting minutes for the March 22, 2018 Program Operations Committee meeting.

**Moved:** Desley Brooks      **Seconded:** Susan Wengraf      **Ayes:** 4-Wengraf; Vella; Brooks; Bauters

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

a) **Minutes (March 22, 2018)**

**Action:** The Board approved the meeting minutes for the March 22, 2018 Administration and Finance Committee meeting.

**Moved:** Susan Wengraf      **Seconded:** Desley Brooks      **Ayes:** 4-Wengraf; Vella; Brooks; Bauters

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

a) **Minutes (March 22, 2018)**

**Action:** The Board approved the meeting minutes for the March 22, 2018 General Board meeting.

**Moved:** Desley Brooks      **Seconded:** Susan Wengraf      **Ayes:** 4-Wengraf; Vella; Brooks; Bauters

6) **Announcements by Board Directors**

Director Hardy expressed sympathy for the passing of former city of Alameda Director Lil Americh.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.