

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Bylaw Update Project

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Resolution & Order 20-30

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- Adopted by the Board Feb. 25, 2020
- Reflects the Board's commitment to "structuring our organization to model services, practices and engagement approaches that equitably meets the needs of all residents."



Policy question

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What amendments are needed to WCC 8.04, 8.08, and the Solid Waste Advisory Committee bylaws to facilitate more equitable representation on the committee pursuant to R&O 20-30?



Current structure

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- **8.04.060 – 8.04-110** outlines SWAC:
 - representation (six members of the public, one HHS staff person, three industry members)
 - appointment procedures and terms
 - meeting schedule requirements
 - quorum definition
 - duties related to solid waste collection topics
- **8.08.130** outlines SWAC:
 - duties related to solid waste disposal topics

What does it mean to incorporate equity?

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- Align with R&O 20-30 direction
 - Examples would be to adjust membership criteria to include positions representing:
 - Communities of color
 - Garbage and recycling customer classes
 - Volunteers (Master Recyclers)
 - Aging community
 - Disability community
 - Shorter terms and term limits offer more opportunity to serve

Membership Considerations

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- Who do you think should advise the Board?
- What communities should be represented on the Committee?
- How to engage communities that are currently not represented?

Membership – Other considerations

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- Create term limits? Shorter terms?
- Add additional members now? How big is too big?
- Unincorporated community members only/majority?

Proposed Timeline

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5/12
Work
Session

7/1-8/31
Draft
bylaw
revisions

8/31
Finalize
proposed
bylaws

10/31
SWAC or
BOC
considers
bylaws

5/26
BOC
Authorized
Ordinance

7/1 –
8/31
Review
and
engage

10/1
File
Ordinances

11/30
Implement
adjustments

Next Steps

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- Develop survey/feedback tools
- Chamber outreach
- Social Media outreach
- Community Partner engagement – CBOs
- Listening Sessions with existing groups (Civic leaders, Promotoras, Master Recyclers)

Thank you!

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