

ODOR CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

Bahai Center
5750 Rodeo Road
February 13, 2006

MEETING #29 MINUTES

Attendees:

ADVISORY BOARD MEMEBERS	CITY OF LOS ANGELES REPRESENTATIVES
Ms. Carol Tucker	Mr. Scott Hare, WESD, BOS
Mr. Sam Hart	Mr. Ahmad Ghanem, WESD, BOS
Mr. Milton Bassett	Mr. Gus Malkoun, BOE
	Mrs. Bernadette Halverson, BOE
	Mrs. Linda Waade, CH2MHILL, Outreach

Meeting Minutes Recorded by: Ahmad Ghanem, City of Los Angeles

Chairperson: Mrs. Carol Tucker

Handouts:

1. Construction Status of Odor Control Facilities.
2. Odor Master Plan, First Four Sections.

Introductory Issues

The meeting agenda was approved.
Forgo approval of the November 14, 2005 meeting minutes until the next meeting.

Odor Control Facilities Construction Update

Mr. Malkoun of Bureau of Engineering gave an overview on the progress of the Odor Control Facilities' construction. He indicated that bids of ATFs at 27th & San Pedro and 6000 Jefferson came higher than City initial estimates. However the projects will be awarded and construction will start as scheduled.

Other ATF projects are proceeding according to schedule as well.

Odor Master Plan

Mr. Scott Hare of the Bureau of Sanitation gave a general overview on the progress of the Odor Master Plan document. He stated that the progress is on schedule and the target date for the final document is October, 2006. He indicated that most of the sections of the Odor Master Plan are 95 % complete. He requested the Advisory Board to review the nearly completed sections for their input ahead of the final draft scheduled for June of 2006.

Questions, Answers and Action Items:

	Issues	Questions/Comments	Responses/Action Items
1-	ATFs construction	Mrs Tucker was curious to know the difference in cost estimates between City and Contractors and why.	<p><u>ECIS-23rd & san Pedro ATF project:</u> Only one bid came which is more than 62.74% over the City Engineer's estimate. Board Briefing was held on 2/13/06 and the awarding of contract is scheduled on 2/17/06.</p> <p><u>NCOS ATF (at 6000 Jefferson Blvd)</u> Two contractors bid; one is 57% and the other is 61% over the CE estimate.</p> <p>Some of the Factors that affected the high bids include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) General shortage of construction equipment which increases the construction costs. b) Costs of construction materials have doubled c) Some of materials suppliers are on the East Coast & transportation costs cannot be guaranteed for more than 30 days which necessitates bidders to add extra risk factors into their bids. d) Shortage of qualified labor and subcontractors due to competition and relief efforts in the Hurricane Katrina aftermath disaster. e) Relatively small site making projects phasing & staging

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		<p>Will the Board of Public Works approve the construction costs?</p> <p>When are the two ATFs scheduled to be completed?</p> <p>What's the progress of the remaining ATFs?</p> <p>Has there been any collaboration between BOE and MTA for the development of the site at Jefferson and La Cienega?</p> <p>Will the two projects go on the same time?</p> <p>Mr. Bassett asked if ATFs will be constructed at the drop structures.</p> <p>The issue of touring the areas upstream and downstream of the NORS siphon will be discussed during an upcoming meeting with Council Distric 10 representative.</p>	<p>difficult and therefore more costly.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>They are scheduled to be completed by April 2007.</p> <p>The next ATFs are at Mission/Jesse and at Jefferson/La Cienega. The Bid documents are awaiting Contract Complience approval and should be ready for bid by March of 2006 and the anticipated construction will begin on September of 2006.</p> <p>We are meeting reguraly to coordinate the two project's construction on that site.</p> <p>Nothing is finalized yet.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Will check with Board members on the outcome in the next meeting.</p>
3-	Future of Advisory Board	Mrs Tucker sees no reason to continue with the Odor Advisory Board due to lack of attendee by other board members especially after the letter requesting all members to attend future meetings was sent.	The City will send another letter to all Board members to confirm their commitment to be active members of the Board.

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4-	General	Milton Bassett asked if he can get a copy of ECIS & NEIS final plans.	Mr. Malkoun will accommodate Mr. Bassett once a formal request is submitted.

Future Agenda:

- Odor Board Member Attendance
- Odor control facilities design/construction update
- Odor Master Plan update