

ODOR CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

Foundation for the Junior Blind
5300 Angeles Vista Blvd
September 8, 2003

MEETING #14 MINUTES

Attendees: See attached attendance list

Meeting Minutes Recorded by: Hyginus Mmeje, City of Los Angeles,
Bureau of Sanitation, Wastewater Engineering
Services Division

Handouts:

1. Meeting agenda
2. Minutes of July 1, 2003 meeting
3. Monthly Report No. 9, Independent Review of Sewer Odor Control Program at the City of Los Angeles by Bowker & Associates, Inc.
4. City of Los Angeles Odor Control Master Plan Outline

Introductory Issues:

Carol Tucker chaired the meeting. The meeting agenda was approved. The meeting minutes were approved after Milton Bassett requested clarification on whether the reported siphon at Greencircle and Buckingham is the same siphon that was previously said to be at 74th & Airport Blvd. In response, City staff offered to provide the Board information on City siphon locations.

Architectural Review of Temporary Scrubber at Jefferson/Rodeo (Traffic Island)

Gus Malkoun from the Bureau of Engineering indicated the activated carbon for the temporary scrubber at Jefferson/Rodeo was changed on August 18 and that the scrubber will remain at the site for the next six months. Thereafter, it will be replaced with another temporary scrubber that will remain at the site for approximately two more years.

The City is working with students from various university schools of architecture, including the Woodbury University, to develop innovative design concepts for the traffic island. Victor suggested the architectural design should incorporate some sort of monument suitable enough to serve as entryway to the City of Los Angeles from the neighboring Culver City. Sam requested that the monument and the wording of its inscriptions to be coordinated with Culver City. The monument should not have to be repainted often and should not attract graffiti. Other possible suggestions for the site include designing and building scrubber stacks that will mimic mini city halls; providing water fountains at the site, and providing landscape that will remain at the site long after the scrubbers are gone.

The architectural students and their teacher who were present at the meeting suggested several sustainability concepts. One of the concepts would depict water and reclaimed wastewater as the lifeblood of the City. Another concept would involve working with DWP to integrate solar energy or other power generating features into the project. The solar power panels could be aligned in an architecturally creative manner that would take traffic safety into consideration and that would be virtually maintenance free.

The design concept selected should not attract pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The students will be presenting their work concepts and/or models at the next Odor Control Board meeting and have until December 10th to submit their work to the City. Board member Victor suggested that the City brief Councilman Martin Ludlow’s office on the design for the traffic island. The other board members were asked to submit additional comments.

New Meeting Location

The group decided to have their next meeting at the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center and would decide on other meeting locations at that meeting. Other locations suggested include the Kenneth Hahn Park, the St. Paul’s facility, the DWP facility, and the Village Green. **[Note: The next meeting will take place at the Bahai Center instead of the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center.]**

Monthly Report by the Independent Odor Consultant

The Board reviewed the Monthly Report No. 9 – Independent Review of Sewer Odor Control Program prepared by Bowker & Associates, Inc. Bowker will not visit in mid-September as previously planned. Due to the lengthy agenda set for the October meeting, the Board requested that Mr. Bowker present his items approximately two weeks from the scheduled date of the October meeting. Brent indicated that Mr. Bowker would probably be submitting his final report in December 2003.

Odor Control Master Plan Outline

The draft of the City of Los Angeles Odor Control Master Plan Outline was presented to the Board and members were requested to review it and to provide comments. Brent indicated that a consultant, Jim Joyce, has been retained by the City to assist in the development of the Odor Control Master Plan.

Questions, Answers and Action Items:

	Questions/Issues	Comments/Responses	Action Items
1	Siphons	Location of City Siphons	The City will provide the Board information about City siphons and their locations.

2	Architectural Review	Architectural Review for the Temporary Scrubber and Traffic Island	<p>Coordinate design of monument with Culver City, DWP and other agencies.</p> <p>Brief Council member Martin Ludlow's Office</p> <p>Present sample design concepts, sketches and models to Board members.</p> <p>Submit additional comments to Victor.</p> <p>Include the Traffic Island design review in the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>The students will be presenting their work concepts and/or models at the next Odor Control Board meeting and have until December 10 to submit their work to the City.</p>
3.	Meeting Location	Identify locations for future meetings.	The City will verify locations for future meetings and whether they have phone conference facility and enough parking.
4.	Monthly Report	Review of the Independent Odor Consultant monthly report	City to verify the date for Mr. Bowker's next visit.
5	Odor Master Plan Outline	City to verify the relationship of the Odor Master Plan with the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). City to consider incorporating Mr. Bowker's recommendations into the Odor Master Plan.	

Victor will chair the next meeting on October 13, 2003.