

# STAFF REPORT



ITEM NO. **14**

CITY OF OCEANSIDE

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DATE: March 1, 2006  
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers  
FROM: Public Works Department  
SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF THE INTEGRATED WASTE COMMISSION (IWC)  
FY 2005-06 WORKPLAN**

## **SYNOPSIS**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Integrated Waste Commission's (IWC) FY 2005-06 Workplan.

## **BACKGROUND**

As required by the IWC by-laws, the FY 2005-06 Workplan is presented for approval.

## **ANALYSIS**

The proposed Workplan (Attachment 1) has been updated to reflect the current and future programs and areas of interest to be addressed in FY 2005-06. At the January 24, 2006, IWC meeting, the Commission voted to approve the continued expansion of aggressive recycling and solid waste tonnage division programs.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The IWC has no operating budget. There is no fiscal impact other than the cost to staff and support the Commission.

## **COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

At the January 24, 2006 meeting, the IWC approved the FY 2005-06 Workplan.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS**

Does not apply.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Integrated Waste Commission's (IWC) FY 2005-06 Workplan.

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Attachment 1

# CITY OF OCEANSIDE INTEGRATED WASTE COMMISSION WORK PLAN 2005-2006

1. Mission Statement:

The City of Oceanside Integrated Waste Commission makes recommendations to the City Council on policies pertaining to the collection and disposal of solid waste and recycling programs, household hazardous waste programs, green waste programs, composting projects, education, and other related solid waste issues. This commission also makes recommendations on solid waste code enforcement and compliance topics. The Oceanside solid waste programs are funded through the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and are not a part of the City's general fund budget.

2. Composition:

The commission is composed of nine regular voting members and two alternate members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. In the event a regular voting member is absent, the Chair may seat an alternate member who shall have voting privileges for that meeting.

Present Commissioners:

**Burke Belknap**  
**Corinne Blanco**  
**Charles Bradshaw**  
**Joan Brown**  
**Mimi DeMirjian**  
**Joseph Gallagher – Chair Person**  
**Michael Healy – Vice Chair Person**  
**Shelby Jacobs**  
**Michael Williams**

Alternate Members:

Vacant –  
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3. General Goals and Tasks:

The commission shall continue to evaluate and make recommendations to the City Council regarding programs and/or projects presented by the City management staff and Integrated Waste Commissioners relating to all aspects of collection, disposal, recycling and fees for solid waste; as well as solid waste

code enforcement issues, including but not limited to littering, scavenging and compliance with City Codes and state statutes. The Commission's primary goals are to assist the City with meeting AB939 requirements.

Specific Goals and Tasks:

- A. **Budget.** The commission shall review the solid waste budget and make recommendations concerning the creation and execution of the funded solid waste programs.
- B. **Recycling.** The commission shall make recommendations concerning the City's compliance with AB939. Since compliance with AB939 is required indefinitely after January 1, 2000, the commission will focus on effective means to remain in compliance. The commission shall inform and educate City residents about recycling; including, but not limited to: source reduction, available recycling facilities, incentive programs and expanded identified resources that may be recycled. Currently, the commission has subcommittees that focus on specific areas of recycling. AB939/Source Reduction and Business Recycling, Green Waste; Contract Advisory; Education/Outreach/Earth Day/Youth Activities and Recycling Enhancement; to include Construction and Demolition/subcommittees and a new subcommittee "The Future of Solid Waste". The commission will work with staff to expand curbside recycling to include mixed paper/cardboard and increase Green Waste collection.
- C. **Green Waste.** The commission shall continue to monitor the City's green waste program, investigate methods, policies, technologies and other tools to determine feasible ways to continue the composting program and make recommendations for changes, as appropriate and to increase Green Waste tonnage collected in the City and assist in attempting to retain the compost facility in order to comply with State AB939 madates.
- D. **Grant Programs.** The commission shall monitor and make recommendations to the City's grant program related to solid waste and recycling.
- E. **Household Hazardous Waste.** The commission shall monitor the progress of the permanent hazardous household waste facility and make recommendations concerning the options available to the City in the disposal of household hazardous waste exchange program E-waste collection options and other recycling efforts.
- F. **Solid Waste Codes.** The commission shall review the solid waste portion of the City's codes and make recommendations for change as appropriate. To explore the development of a de-construction ordinance.

- G. **Technology.** The commission shall stay current with new technologies that may be applied to the solid waste programs and recommend changes as appropriate to use such technologies in the Oceanside environment.
- H. **Seminars.** The commission may attend seminars and other educational opportunities to stay abreast of changes in laws, technologies and policies impacting solid waste.
- I. **Waste Collection and Disposal.** The commission shall continue to monitor the services provided by the City's contractor to ensure ratepayer satisfaction with the service levels as outlined in the franchise agreement. The commission shall carefully consider input from the public on solid waste issues and problems. The commission shall promote public education on integrated waste matters and assist with the development of brochures and other informational materials and events.
- J. **Regional Issues.** The commission shall monitor issues facing the region that may affect the City and make recommendations to the City Council on an as needed basis.
- K. **Source Reduction.** The commission shall investigate methods, policies, technologies and other tools to determine feasible ways to foster source reduction programs in Oceanside. The commission may make recommendations to the City Council for change as appropriate.
- L. **Education Programs.** The commission will continue to participate in educational programs in conjunction with school district education projects concerning recycling and litter reduction activities including the City's Earth Day Programs and Beverage Container Recycling Program.

4. **Structure:**

The Integrated Waste Commission convenes subcommittees to address the following issues:

- A. **AB939/Source Reduction and Business Recycling:** To work with staff and Waste Management of North County to expand commercial and industrial recycling programs and record recycling not presently accounted. The goal is to increase diversion and assist the City in complying with Assembly Bill 939. To utilize the Business License Renewal System to conduct solid waste and recycling service level audits for Oceanside Businesses, and to increase recycling and diversion tonnage.

- B. **Green Waste:** To address issues associated with the City's Green Waste program, including monitoring Agri-Service and the El Corazon composting facility. Evaluate and Make recommendations concerning the City's Green Waste exemption program, and increase curbside residential collection to include the distribution of information to discourage the use of plastic bags in the collection process.
- C. **Budget Contract Advisory:** To recommend and advise the City on solid waste contract issue regarding the City's present and proposed solid waste services provided to ratepayers.
- D. **Education, outreach, Earth Day Awards/Youth Activities:** To promote a greater understanding of recycling and stewardship with the youth in the City of Oceanside.
- E. **Recycling Enhancement:** To work with staff and consultant. To identify recycling enhancement policies, expand current programs, introduce new recycling methods.
- F. **Future of Solid Waste:** The subcommittee will look at issues related to better management practices and the solid waste service issues related to large item disposal, pay as you throw and the C&D ordinance.

The Integrated Waste Commission has no standing committees at this time which fall under the purview of the Brown Act.

The Commission may periodically review its work plan and make any recommended changes to the City Council on an as-needed basis.