

# CITY OF SALEM SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

## Minutes

**DATE:** November 16, 2023

**PLACE:** Public Works Traffic Control Conference Room (555 Liberty St SE, RM 325)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Virginia Stapleton

**STAFF LIAISON:** Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst 503-588-6258 [RZink@cityofsalem.net](mailto:RZink@cityofsalem.net)

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### **Members Present:**

Councilor Virginia Stapleton  
Councilor Linda Nishioka  
Councilor Deanna Gwyn  
Councilor Micki Varney (left at 1:18 pm)

### **Members Absent:**

Alternate-Councilor Julie Hoy

### **Staff Present:**

Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer  
Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst/Franchise Administrator  
Kelli Blechschmidt, Management Analyst II  
Shengnan Thomas, Administrative Analyst I

### **Guest Present:**

Dakota Tangredi, Marion County Public Works, Environmental Services Division,  
Bilingual Waste Reduction Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER: 12:03 PM / Quorum
  
2. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES
  - a. October 19, 2023  
Motion was moved by Member Gwyn, seconded by Member Nishioka, and carried by the following vote:  
  
Aye: Unanimous  
Nay: None  
Abstentions: None

3. Public Comment

- a. Jim Scheppke regarding waving cart fee for downsize and 350 Salem presentation at future meeting.

Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Gwyn, Nishioka, and Varney

Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator

4. Action Items

- a. None

5. Management Update / Information Items

- a. November 13 City Council Rate Setting Debrief

Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Gwyn, Nishioka, and Varney

Answers or comments: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer; Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator

- b. Getting to know the solid waste system, infrastructure, and partners:

- i. Partner guest presentation – present at next meeting  
ii. Ride-along with route trucks contact information

- c. Solid waste policy discussion:

- i. Policy priorities and next steps  
ii. Rate of Return  
iii. Subsidization - lines of business – services

Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Gwyn, Nishioka, and Varney

Answers or comments: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer; Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator; Dakota Tangredi, Marion County Public Works, Environmental Services Division, Bilingual Waste Reduction Coordinator

- d. 2024 Committee Meeting Scheduling – same time

6. Adjournment: 1:39PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 12:00PM