

**ODOR CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD**

Bahai Center  
 5750 Rodeo Road  
 July 14, 2008

**MEETING #31 MINUTES**

**Attendees:**

<b>ODOR ADVISORY BOARD MEMEBERS AND GUESTS</b>	<b>CITY OF LOS ANGELES REPRESENTATIVES</b>
Ms. Carol Tucker	
Mr. Sam Hart	Mr. Ali Poosti, Asst. Mngr, Bur. of Sanitation, WESD
Mr. Milton Bassett	Mr. Vlad Lorenzo, Bureau of Sanitation, WCSD
Mr. Ted Lumpkin	Mr. Scott Hare, Bureau of Sanitation, WESD
Mr. Victor Nahmias	Mr. Ahmad Ghanem, Bureau of Sanitation, WESD
Mr. Clint Simmons	
Mr. Cal Hall	
Mrs. Helen Hall	
Ms Opal Young	

Meeting Minutes recorded by: Ahmad Ghanem, Bureau of Sanitation

**Chairperson:** Ms. Carol Tucker

Handouts Revised Agenda

**Introductory Issues**

Ms. Opal Young introduced a motion that the revised agenda be approved by the Advisory Board. The motion was approved

The previous meeting minutes dated February 12, 2007 was approved.

**Odor Control update**

Scott Hare of the Bureau of Sanitation gave a summary of the odor control efforts including the progress on the construction of the two Air Treatment Facilities (ATFs). He stated that the ATF at Jefferson Blvd. and La Cienega Blvd is under construction while the NCOS ATF located at 6000 Jefferson has been awarded to a contractor and construction will start in approx. 60 days.

**Questions, Answers and Action Items:**

	<b>Issues</b>	<b>Questions/Comments</b>	<b>Responses/Action Items</b>
1-	ATFs construction	<p>Mr. Nahmias asked if the ATF construction at Jefferson and La Cienega will be concurrent with the MTA project on the adjacent site.</p> <p>Mr. Simmons asked why the project was delayed</p> <p>Carol Tucker asked how effective the new media being considered is and if there were any negative health effects? She asked if the Board can get feedback from a community near a facility using this product.</p> <p>Mr. Simmons asked why the study took four years to perform.</p> <p>Carol Tucker asked about the effectiveness of those tests and whether the Board can get any feedback from the communities surrounding these ATFs.</p> <p>Is there any place other than OC where the new filter media was used with satisfactory results</p> <p>Carol Tucker stated that the Board does not feel comfortable with a</p>	<p>Scott said yes</p> <p>The delay was due to the impacts of the unforeseen condition at the site and because of the ATF's biomedica supplier legal battles with their firm. The City is studying alternate solutions.</p> <p>The new bio media that the City is considering is being studied by Orange County. The City will obtain a copy of Orange County's pilot study and provide the Board with a copy in the next meeting. City is also conducting its own independent study as well studying alternative biofilter media.</p> <p>They are testing the hydrogen sulfide (H2S) at different levels.</p> <p>The City is thoroughly investigating the ATFs to insure that they meet our odor removal requirements. The City will share with the Board any information pertaining to the ATF tests done by Orange County or City's own study once the tests are completed. . That system is near completion.</p> <p>The City doesn't know. It is fairly new technology. City will investigate and will share it with the group.</p> <p>The City will share with the Board any field testing data once they are available.</p>

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		<p>report based on lab testing only. They want to see some data from a field application to support the lab test results.</p> <p>Ms. Opal Young said that the sewer odor at MLK Blvd. and Rodeo Road is very strong. She feels that the City is not doing enough to alleviate the odor problem.</p> <p>Carol Tucker asked if the two projects, namely Jefferson and La Cienega site and the 6000 Jefferson/NCOS site, will be built simultaneously.</p> <p>Mr. Simmons asked if the biofilter media has any chemicals added to it.</p> <p>Ms. Tucker mentioned that the site at the corner of La Cienega and Jefferson is not well maintained. They prefer a wood wall instead of canvas. Also, the area is not kept clean; there is trash and paper everywhere.</p>	<p>Vlad noted her remarks and will investigate immediately.</p> <p>Yes with the completion date set for June/July 2010</p> <p>The media does not use chemicals, it is bathed in water with nutrients that allow bacteria to grow, which consume odors.</p> <p>The City will make sure that the site is well maintained and that the Contract maintains the site regularly.</p>
2.	<b>ATF at 6000 Jefferson</b>	Mr. Ted Lumpkin asked about the traffic impacts at that corner.	<p>The City will have someone from MTA contact the Board concerning the traffic plan for that area.</p> <p>The planned ATF site at 6000 Jefferson referred to as the Jefferson/NCOS ATF has been awarded and construction will begin in approx. 60 days with completion scheduled for 2010.</p>
3.	<b>Relocation of the 23<sup>rd</sup> and San Pedro scrubber</b>		The scrubber at 23 <sup>rd</sup> and San Pedro will be relocated to the NOTF site in September.

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4.	<b>ATFs study</b>	Multiple board members stated that they wanted to be briefed about the ATF Study before it gets too far along to insure they agree with the direction it is taking	The City has selected HDR Engineering to lead the study for the ATFs. The City Council has to approve the Bureau's On-Call contract before HDR can start their work. The study includes workshops with the Odor Advisory Board to gather their input. The consultants and the City will be present at the meetings
5.		Ms. Opal young stated that the existing scrubbers fences are unsightly, especially the green canvas. It rips and provides a surface for grafitti.	The City inspects all the iterim scrubbers' sites on a monthly basis. All grafitti incidents are recorded and corrected immediately.

**Future Agenda:**

The next meeting will be scheduled at the Bahai Center in approximately ????