



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Hazardous Materials Commission

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

4:00 PM

777 Arnold Dr., Martinez, CA 94553 -
Paramount Room

<https://cchealth.zoom.us/j/98031936341>

Meeting ID: 980 3193 6341

Planning and Policy Committee

Committee Chair: Jim Payne

Committee Vice Chair: Eduardo Martinez

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

1. Roll Call and Introductions

Commissioners Present: Drew Graham, Eduardo Martinez, Ron Chinn, Mark Hughes

Staff Present: Adam Springer

2. CONSIDER approval of the February 18, 2026 Hazardous Materials Commission Planning and Policy Committee meeting minutes.

The commissioners present voted to approve the February 18, 2026 Hazardous Materials Commission meeting minutes.

Motion: Mark Hughes

Second: Drew Graham

3. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).

There were not any comments made by members of the public.

4. DISCUSS any updates to the Hazardous Materials Commission priorities for 2026.

Commissioner Chinn brought forward the topic of committee assignments as Commissioner Brennan had previously expressed interest in switching from the Operations Committee to the Planning and Policy Committees. He noted that the bylaws do not clearly state which seats belong to which committees and that differing viewpoints and expertise could be beneficial to committee discussions and could also help to improve issues with making quorum. Staff noted that a possible resolution could be to allow a delegation of authority for occasional substitutions to achieve quorum if some seats are unable to attend. Commissioner Graham noted that he appreciated the concept of a delegation of authority but thought that the point of alternates was to address this issue in the first place and felt that improvements have already been made regarding attendance and quorum. The commissioners present discussed focusing on removing non-participating members first before implementing a delegation of authority aspect to the committees.

There were not any updates to share regarding the priorities assigned to this committee or any potential guest speakers.

5. REVIEW and DISCUSS the March CUPA legislative report.

The commissioners present reviewed the legislation that the CUPA forum board is currently following. The committee discussed AB2667 pertaining to vape products noting that there are two components/waste streams: the battery and the regulated chemical. A large number of vape products are being confiscated at schools and are then tasked with the responsibility of paying to dispose of these products properly which are considered hazardous waste. The proposed legislation would permit certain facilities to disassemble and dispose of vape products, they currently would need a hazardous waste treatment permit for this. The committee discussed how members of the public should be disposing of their vape products and batteries in general and what options are available for proper disposal; the group stated that a presentation on this topic may be beneficial and felt that they could work to increase public awareness. The committee also discussed AB2776 pertaining to what is allowed or disallowed and considered treatment of hazardous materials in storage tanks and SB1259 regarding cost estimates for decommissioning and remediation at refineries.

6. DISCUSS the April 9th East Bay Meeting on Toxic Loopholes – Advanced manufacturing.

There were not any committee members present that attended this meeting and therefore it could not be discussed. The committee will hopefully receive an update on this at the next full commission meeting.

7. DISCUSS any other upcoming legislative issues.

There were not any other upcoming legislative issues to discuss outside of what was reviewed in the CUPA report.

8. Announcements from commissioners on items of commission interest.

There were not any announcements to share by the commissioners present.

9. Plan next meeting agenda.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for June 17, 2026 at 4:00 PM.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 PM.

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Full meeting recording can be found here: <https://contra-costa.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

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