



Community Advisory Panel Minutes
February 8, 2007
700 Main Center, Room 204, 12:30-2 p.m.

Those in attendance:	Charles Kulow	Marie Bridges	Albert Portillo
Jerry James	Benny Ortiz	Mia Talley	Weldon Cummings
Leslie Totah	Hernan Jaso	Ramiro Rubio	

Jerry James

- Welcome and Introductions of members
- New staff - Marie Bridges, Education Specialist

Albert Portillo

- Volunteer participation and office recycling has doubled from last year.
- Student volunteer hours have increased due to newspaper contest.
- Second full time staff member was hired at Huvar Center.
- The recycling center will survey citizens to improve service at the recycling center.
- Engineering firm is looking at the Huvar center to help better facilitate increased volume at Huvar.
- City is looking at curbside recycling.

Jerry James

- Display of new 96 gallon trash can. A 32 gallon container may also be offered to citizens.
- Solid Waste Collection Q and A presentation
 - Q&A on the City of Victoria website.
 - R.W. Beck recommends the city change to once a week, automated garbage pick-up.
 - This change will reduce use of labor ready, minimize injuries, and keep garbage from spilling.
 - Other cities similar in size to Victoria have successfully changed to this type of garbage service.
 - Brush pile may be moved to landfill to be converted into compost.

Marie Bridges

- William Wood Elementary
 - Winner of the HEB/KTB school recycling contest.
 - Recycled 126lbs of plastics #1 and #2, which is about 1.5lbs per student.
 - Won 4 recycled lumber benches, which were provided by HEB, KTB, and COV.
 - Benches were made by John Pearce, an Eagle Scout in Victoria.
- Mission Valley Elementary School is utilizing a 10 bin recycling trailer.
 - First week they recycled more than 900lbs of mixed recyclables.
 - Second week, they recycled another 1300lbs.
 - Recyclables are sorted and placed in the trailer by 5th grade Green Teams.
- Market Days
 - First market days of 2007 is on March 17.
 - City of Victoria will sponsor a recycling event at this event.
 - Recycling CAP members opportunity to volunteer for this event.

CAP Discussion on educating the public about emerging issues

- Household Hazardous Waste day is April 21st.
- E-Waste storage issues were discussed.
- Plastics #1 and #2 are currently taken at the recycling center.

Next meeting will be held on
April 12 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Room 204, 700 Main Center, Victoria