**Climate Action and Resiliency Plan and Zero Waste Implementation Plan Workshop**

**Tuesday, June 25, 6-7:30 p.m., Alameda Free Library (1550 Oak Street, Alameda)**

**MEETING RECAP**

**Attendees:** General Public

**Meeting Agenda:**

6:00-6:10pm Welcome and Workshop Overview

6:10-6:40pmPlan Update Overview and Open House

• Climate Action and Resiliency Plan (CARP)

• Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)

• Zero Waste Implementation Plan (ZWIP)

• Open House Stations

6:40-7:30pmOpen House Stations

7:30pm Raffle and Adjourn

**Summary of presentation:**

The attendees first heard a presentation from City staff and consultants about the CARP Update project (goals, timeline, engagement), revised goals and revised greenhouse gas reduction strategies and climate change impacts, including updates on the Climate Adaptation and Hazard Mitigation Plan and Zero Waste Implementation Plan. Attendees were then invited to participate in a stations exercise where various questions/updates were posted at tables (“stations”) throughout the meeting room.

Attendees were invited to visit the stations to discuss the topics and provide input for the following topics: Station 1: Greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory, Station 2: Revised CARP vision, Station3: Revised CARP goals, Station 4: Revised GHG reduction strategies, Station 5: Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, Station 6: Zero Waste Implementation Plan

**Notes from Station 6, Zero Waste Implementation Plan:**

The ZWIP station included four proposed focus areas for the forthcoming ZWIP update. Each focus area included several proposed programs/priorities. Attendees were asked to use stars to indicate their top priorities and write notes about other ideas/programs/priorities.

Focus area: Behavior Change

-Support increased diversion efforts in multi-family buildings. (8 priority stars)

-Increase resources for small businesses to achieve zero waste. (9 priority stars)

-Improve access to bulky item recycling services. (8 priority stars)

Attendee added notes:

-Give incentives to small biz or move towards imposing rules to use biodegradable materials. Can’t stop all waste, so at least make them biodegradable.

-Provide compost containers on the beach (4 priority stars)

-Unannounced audits of residential and commercial trash bins, penalties

-Differentiated education/multiple channels

-Making affordable zero waste resources

-More/advertised bulky and hazardous waste drop off events

-More public education

-Increasing resources for small businesses is good, but it can still act as a burden in compliance. Can Alameda come up with creative ways to encourage green behavior in businesses? $$$

-Food! Reduce meat consumption, campaigns in a positive light and highlight good practices

-Help me get rid of my stuff

-Support behavior change, felt this is too complicated

-Need more info/education on multi-family building diversion issues. I imagine dumping of big items with rental units is a large waste issue.

Waste Reduction Efforts

-Increase awareness with an Alameda Zero Waste rebrand (4 priority stars)

-Improve zero-waste practices within City Departments and at City events. (3 priority stars)

-Enhance support systems for the unhoused community. (5 priority stars)

-Reduce instances of illegal dumping. (10 priority stars)

Attendee added notes:

-Create more job opportunities to help with cleanup efforts

-Update food ware ordinance requiring some kind of mandatory reusables to-go, see Germany (1 priority star

-Improve hazardous waste drop off sites and hours in Alameda

-Need to find new ways to educate the general public

-What about water waste?

-After joining Ridwel, garbage reduced by one third

-Broken toy recycle program, educate kids and parents, start young, Partner with Terracycle zero waste box (1 priority star), collection bins at local library reading area or ARPD reading centers

-I’m all in for waste reduction if made easy

-What does reduce instances of illegal dumping mean that doesn’t include increasing policing?

-Alameda unified needs more support from the City’s zero waste team and ACI to make sure our district and school staff are in compliance with the recycling ordinance. Can ACI audit school site dumpsters? We need accountability, thanks!!

Focus Area: Reuse

-Support businesses in complying with the City’s Reusable Food Ware ordinance. (17 priority stars)

-Promote and increase access to reuse markets. (9 priority stars)

-Support bring-your-own initiatives. (13 priority stars)

Attendee added notes:

-Support repair workshops (3 priority stars)

-Reusable dishware is awesome!

-Reusables mandated for dine-in

-I’m in favor of reuse if

-Reuse is better than recycle, educate!

-Make the boba tea shops support reusables (many currently do not) (2 priority stars)

-Do big public positive recognition of businesses that are doing well

Focus Area: Construction and Demolition

-Support construction projects to implement best practices for waste diversion.

-Support, incentivize and promote deconstruction.

Attendee added notes:

-Make cutting down trees harder –pay a fee (to plant one somewhere else (1 priority star)

-I’m against over demo and construction in town

-Where does the recycled material go?

-Many of our oldest home in town are 30\_ years old. The projects should recognizer the opportunities for working specifically with these especially those with large numbers of same construction housing