

PUBLIC WORKS STANDARDS, INC. – GREENBOOK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 20, 2022

Presiding: CHARLES CHEN / LANCE GRINDLE

1. **Called to Order:** 9:33 a.m.
2. **Self-Introduction:** Proxy received from Sarkis Oganessian designating Rustom Tavitian as voting member today.

Voting Members & Alternates

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| 1 | Alex Salazar | T | City of Irvine |
| 2 | Charles Chen | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 3 | Dan Peterson | T | AGCC |
| 4 | Dickie Fernandez | T | Orange County Sanitation District |
| 5 | Don Vivant | T | AGCC |
| 6 | Edward Arrington | T | City of Los Angeles – Bureau of Engineering |
| 7 | Lance Grindle | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 8 | Omar Moheize | T | City of Burbank |
| 9 | Onofre Ramirez | T | City of Long Beach |
| 10 | Rustom Tavitian – (proxy for Sarkis Oganessian) | ** | City of Glendale |
| 11 | Temo Galvez | T | City of Fountain Valley |
| 12 | Vinh Tran | T | Orange County Public Works |

Other Participants

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| 1 | Ana Varela | T | BNI |
| 2 | Bill Mahoney | T | BNI |
| 3 | Chiu Tam | T | City of Los Angeles – Bureau of Engineering |
| 4 | Colin McCarter | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 5 | Corina Wong | T | Granite Construction |
| 6 | Daniel Quintana | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 7 | David Gallagher | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 8 | Edgar Mercado | T | City of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 9 | Emelina Novoa | T | Guest |
| 10 | Gene Na | T | American Concrete Pipe Association |
| 11 | Irene Chia | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 12 | Jacob Monroe | T | ADS Pipe |
| 13 | Jim O’Kane | T | SCCA |
| 14 | Joel Ellazar | T | BNI |
| 15 | Nathan Forrest | T | California Nevada Cement Association |
| 16 | Phil Phan | T | County of Los Angeles – Public Works |
| 17 | Randy Encinas | T | City of San Diego |
| 18 | Richard Louie | T | City of Los Angeles |
| 19 | Scott Johnson | T | Ferreira Construction |

(**denotes Member with Proxy, T denotes attendance via Teleconference)

3. **Establish a Quorum:** Self-introductions were made and a quorum was **NOT** established at the beginning of the meeting with 12 voting members present, additional voting members attended after the start of the meeting.
4. **Distribute Agenda - Online**
5. **Approval of Minutes:** September 15, 2022 meeting minutes will move to November meeting for approval.

6. **Correspondence: NONE**

7. **Old Business:** October's old business moving to November's meeting for discussion.

- Change No. 317 GP "*Material Price Adjustment Clause*" – was not ready for 30 day hold but will be reviewed in editorial.
- Change No. 322 SM "*Portland Limestone Cement – (Blended Cement)*" now off 30-day hold. NO vote was taken since quorum not reached.

8. **New Business:**

a) **APWA Co-Chairman's Report:** No Report.

b) **Secretary's Report:**

- Assigned Change No. 327 SM "*Warm Mix Asphalt*" – requested by Vinh Tran
- APWA, Caltrans and Greenbook correspondence from Ed Arrington shared at September's meeting was emailed to the group on 09/21/22.
- Greenbook website updated with appointed chair Daniel Quintana of the Street Lighting and Traffic Systems Subcommittee.
- Greenbook website updated with Editorial Standards new meeting dates of 2nd Thursday of every month from 9am-10am.

c) **Vice Chair Communication Report:** No Report.

d) **Vice Chair Editorial Report:** No Report.

Greenbook Subcommittees:

e) **Surface Materials and Methods Subcommittee Report:** Vinh Tran reported the following updates:

The **Geosynthetics task force** – working on revising language to incorporate what editorial has provided to them for guidance.

The **Asphalt task force** – met with the following updates:

- Change 313 SM "*CIR and CCP (Cold in Place)*" – is being worked on in small groups and need 2-3 months before sending back to group for a vote.
- Change 315 SM "*Tire Rubber Modified Asphalt Concrete*" – has changes received from editorial to be worked on and sent back to them.
- New small group working on adding super paid compaction to the Greenbook.

The **Concrete Ad Hoc task force** – working on changes 301 SM and 324 SM.

- Change 304 SM "*Restructure and Update Portland Cement Concrete, section 201*" – is now on hold and to be completed before release of next edition.
- Change 324 SM "*Concrete Pavers*" – is now the main focus of task force.

f) **Underground Materials and Methods Subcommittee Report:** Gean Na reported meeting on October 18th with good attendance and the following updates:

- Change 284 UM "*Part 5*" - small task force assisting David and trying to create a single document to upload and share with the subcommittee for comments.
- Change 318 UM "*Composite Frame and Cover for Maintenance Forms*" – received comments from Editorial which are being reviewed. This change will not make the supplement.
- Change 321 UM the "*Pickle Jar Test*" – subcommittee has a draft to place in proper format for the group to look at and place on 30-day hold.
- Change number 323 UM "*Grey Iron and Ductile Iron Castings*" – Dickie is holding task force meetings every two weeks and hoping to get two or three additional agencies to be part of this task force. Those interested can contact Dickie Fernandez or Gean Na.

- g) **Standard Plans Subcommittee Report:** Temo Galvez reported the following:
- Last meeting had a great discussion and progress regarding the development of a Micro Trenching Standard.
 - May have a few alternatives in the next few months addressing the direction that agencies are taking with Micro trenching.
 - Anyone interested in joining these discussions can contact Temo Galvez who will send a zoom link to their meeting. Next meeting is scheduled for November 3rd.
- h) **General Provisions Subcommittee Report:** No Report.
- i) **Editorial Standards Subcommittee Report:** Charles Chen reported the following updates:
- Change 315 SM “Tire Rubber Modified Asphalt Concrete” – Editorial subcommittee is awaiting for the revised change form with updated reason for revision and the edited table in a word document.
- j) **Greenbook Retention Subcommittee Report:** Edward reported the following:
- Efforts to work with Caltrans have concluded and are now just waiting for the results of Caltran's proposal to FHWA of adopting the Greenbook.
 - On October 10th, Caltrans informed the Greenbook Retention Subcommittee, that FHWA had rejected their proposal.
 - Caltrans is still trying to have additional conversations with FHWA of how to best move forward with the local public agencies and to make sure that they have a clear understanding as to the Code of Federal Regulations section 625 which is the issue here.
 - Caltrans still did not share the proposal that was submitted to FHWA.
 - Subcommittee reached out to APWA National to see if they can have conversations with other agency members outside of California to assess what they face when seeking to apply local agencies specifications and some of the requirements they have to comply with in their state.
- k) **Landscaping and Irrigation Subcommittee Report:** David Gallagher reported the following updates:
- Subcommittee had great progress with different city participation.
 - Subcommittee is continuing to collect comments on bioswale soil and agronomic soil testing information.
- l) **Street Lighting and Traffic Systems Subcommittee Report:** Daniel Quintana reported the following:
- Subcommittee met on September 13th and discussed pull boxes and signal polls. They will be reviewing those specifications for recommendations.
 - Next meeting is November 8th and will continue to have bi-monthly meetings.
- m) **Other New Business:** NONE

9. **General Discussion:**

- Information was sought out on Assembly Bill 2953. This bill requires local agencies to allow recycled materials in their projects to the extent allowed by Caltrans. A presentation of what that bill means will be given at the November meeting.

10. **Next meeting: November 17, 2022**

11. **Adjourn: 10:09a.m. - Lance made the executive decision to adjourn this meeting.**

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