



Albemarle County

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TITLE:

Solid Waste Alternatives Advisory Committee - Semi-annual Report

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Review of the Committee's activities and affirmation of future priorities and goals.

ITEM TYPE: Consent Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Walker, Letteri, Henry, Harper

PRESENTER (S): None

LEGAL REVIEW: Not Required

REVIEWED BY: Douglas C. Walker

BACKGROUND: The Solid Waste Alternatives Advisory Committee (SWAAC) was established by the Board at its March 2, 2016 meeting as a standing advisory committee. The Committee Charge Statement is included as Attachment A. The Committee is charged with developing policies for consideration by the Board related to waste reduction, materials reuse, recycling and composting, greenhouse gas reduction, and waste disposal. Policy recommendations are to be supported by evaluations of budgetary and environmental impacts. The Committee will provide information to the Board in semi-annual updates. Currently the Committee has very limited staff support. The Committee was directed to focus initially on public education and engagement.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Natural Resources Stewardship - Thoughtfully protect and manage Albemarle County's ecosystems and natural resources in both the rural and development areas to safeguard the quality of life of current and future generations. **Quality Government Operations** - Ensure County government's capacity to provide high quality service that achieves community priorities.

DISCUSSION: The Committee has met monthly since June 2016. In addition, a subcommittee focused on public education met outside the Committee meeting times. The Committee's first semi-annual report to the Board is included as Attachment B. The report includes a summary of work completed to date and a summary of the Committee's priorities and goals for the next six months. The Committee anticipates that it will present specific policy proposals to the Board in its next semi-annual report. However, time-sensitive proposals may be submitted separate from the semi-annual reports.

BUDGET IMPACT: This Committee report is an update on progress and does not include any finalized recommendations having associated budget impacts.

RECOMMENDATION:

Affirm the Committee's future priorities and goals.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Committee Charge Statement
Attachment B - SWAAC Semi-annual Report, January 2017