



Albemarle County

Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:

Request the Establishment of the Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee

ITEM TYPE: Regular Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Foley, Letteri, Walker, Davis, Henry

PRESENTER (S): Bill Letteri

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Thomas C. Foley

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Supervisors created the Albemarle County Long Range Solid Waste Solutions Advisory Committee (the Committee) at its meeting on April 2, 2014. On October 7, 2015, the Committee presented its Final Report to the Board, which recommended that an Advisory Committee on Sustainable Materials Management be established, and that the County add a staff position to support the Committee's work. To advance the recommendations of the Long Range Solid Waste Committee, the Board requested that staff: 1) define a charge statement for the Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee (SMMAC); and 2) identify and define the staff support that the Committee would need to fulfill its charge statement.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal 6, Natural Resources: 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.

DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to the Board's request, staff, with input from Supervisor Palmer and two former Solid Waste Advisory Committee members, developed a charge statement for the Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee (SMMAC) (See Attachment A). The work plan in the initial phase of the SMMAC would include creating and implementing a public education and engagement program. A proposed work plan for subsequent phases would be drafted by the Committee and staff for later approval by the Board.

The attached draft charge statement includes the following key components: 1) the Committee is advisory to the Board; 2) the Committee will assist the County in the development of sustainable materials management policies; 3) the Committee will conduct thorough impact analysis of recommended policy implementation; and 4) the Committee will research and develop a public education and engagement plan.

Staff has determined that the Sustainable Materials Management Coordinator position is essential for the successful implementation of subsequent phases of the Sustainable Materials Management program and for

the furtherance of the Board's Strategic Plan. Because of budget constraints, the Sustainable Materials Management Coordinator position has not been recommended in the FY 17 budget. Until such time as this position is funded, the work of the SMMAC will have very limited staff support. As a result, the SMMAC work plan may initially be limited to education and citizen engagement not requiring staff support.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The establishment of the Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee will have no budgetary impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board establish the Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee and approve the attached Charge Statement (Attachment A).

A- Sustainable Materials Management Advisory Committee Charge Statement