

The City of New York BUSINESS INTEGRITY COMMISSION

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Noah D. Genel Commissioner and Chair

Minutes of a Meeting of the Trade Waste Advisory Board

Date and time: January 28, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Location: Telephonic conference

Attendees:

Business Integrity Commission

Noah Genel, Commissioner and Chair

David Feldman, Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel

David Mandell, Associate Commissioner for Legal Affairs and Deputy General Counsel

Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy

Emily Anderson, Executive Agency Counsel

Caroline Ahn, Executive Agency Counsel

Giselle Ramirez, Senior Legal Analyst (notes)

Industry

Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.

David Biderman, Executive Director and CEO, Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA)

Steven Changaris, Regional Manager, National Waste & Recycling Association (NWRA)

John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.

Andy Moss, Government Affairs Manager, Waste Connections

Thomas Toscano, CEO, Mr. T Carting Corp.

Adam Mitchell, Major Account Manager, Mr T Carting

Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.

BIC agenda items

Safety

- o The industry has seen a major improvement involving fatal crashes in 2020. In 2019, there were nine fatal crashes involving a vehicle used by a BIC licensee or registrant. However, in 2020, there were only two.
- o BIC is preparing to promulgate rules in connection with the safety bill.
- o BIC issued its Vision Zero Bulletin in December. The feedback from the industry has been helpful. Some key points included in the bulletin were: reminding drivers of the narrow streets due to outdoor dining, being aware of surroundings at all times, being alert for pedestrians as their vision may be obstructed due to mask wearing and other issues.

- o BIC is working with NYC DOT to offer training regarding the "I See You" video. BIC will provide more information once details are finalized.
- Commission Meeting Jan. 19, 2021
 - o BIC denied two applications at the January 19, 2021 meeting.
- New York City and COVID-19
 - The City of New York continues to offer free COVID-19 and antibody testing. Vaccines are also available in NYC.
 - o Industry members stated that service levels have changed radically as a substantial number of routes have been cancelled.
- Industry members discussed the continuing economic impact of the pandemic. Customer Registers
 - o Customer registers covering the October 1 through December 31, 2020 period are due on January 31, 2021
- Local Law 145
 - o BIC has continued to work on LL145 and is in communication with DEP regarding inspections.

Agenda items requested by non-BIC TWAB members

- Rate Cap
 - o BIC has not made a decision on the rate cap.
- BIC's current enforcement priorities
 - o BIC has continued to issue administrative violations for violations of BIC rules.

The next TWAB Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 22nd at 10:00 a.m.