

MORANDUM

Hawkins Point Landfill/Landfills

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Mayor

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In reply refer to: MO-19

TO: Marion Pines, Director, MOMR

FROM: Mark Wasserman, Physical Development Coordinator

DATE: November 9, 1983

RE: Hawkins Point - Mitigation Projects

As compensation for locating a hazardous waste landfill in Baltimore City, the State has earmarked a proportion of the tipping fee for use by two nearby communities - Curtis Bay and Arundel Cove. These communities have, with the assistance of the 6th District Planner, Susan Williams, developed a list of projects they would like to see done in their communities. This list is attached.

The Mayor has approved this list and has indicated that, to the extent possible, we should use "Contract In" and employ residents of these two communities.

Please look the list over and indicate to me, at your earliest convenience, which projects you would like to handle, and how you would be able to hire within the communities.

We are planning to hold a public announcement with the Mayor on these projects. This will probably take place around the end of November. Let's plan to reach agreement before then on which projects Contract In can handle and how Curtis Bay residents can be targeted to be hired for them.

Thanks for your help.

cc: ✓The Honorable William Donald Schaefer



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April 25, 1984

The Honorable Harry R. Hughes
Governor
State of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Governor Hughes:

I am writing to express my displeasure with the manner in which the recent announcement of the closing of the MES hazardous waste landfill in Hawkins Point was handled. We were offered less than twenty-four hours notice with no opportunity afforded to comment in advance. This is, in my mind, an unfortunate and somewhat disturbing turn of events.

The selection of the Hawkins Point location as the sole hazardous waste landfill in Maryland was not something I took lightly. The cooperative process followed in developing this site and the subsequent actions taken to mitigate its effect were managed with sensitivity and proved successful. That our interests should have been taken so lightly in the decision to close the landfill is a significant departure from the established pattern.

It is my understanding that it is your intention to remove all of the waste material deposited into the existing cell. It has been explained that the resulting empty cell will be filled with clean fill. This seems, on its face, wasteful unless there are post-closure requirements which would preclude the use of other types of material. Specifically, it occurs to me that the use of City demolition debris, street dirt or bulk trash would be a sensible means of filling the cell. We would welcome the opportunity to help in this regard. If this is feasible, I would ask that you have an appropriate designee contact Mr. Frank Kuchta, our Director of Public Works at 396-3310. Mr. Kuchta will be glad to cooperate.

This has been an unsettling episode and I would hope to be accorded a bit more consideration in the future.

Sincerely,

Mayor

cc: Frank Kuchta

1. Curtis Bay Projects - These projects were developed with the input of Bob Smith and the Curtis Bay Improvement Association:

A. Playfield and Playground Renovation - This will entail resurfacing the playground, repairing the existing swimming pool, repairing the benches and pavillion. Existing sandboxes and rundown playground equipment must be removed. These will be replaced with a new jungle gym and sandbox and new slides. The existing swings and seesaw will be repaired. In addition, street trees are to be planted along Filbert Street.

B. Other work

The windows in the recreation center will be replaced. The Planning Department is designing a neighborhood identification sign (there may be two-unsure of materials to be used). Other activities include hiring a housing inspector, and a ceramics teacher and an aerobics teacher for courses at the recreation center.

2. Arundel Cove

A. HCD is working on trash problem on private property adjacent to this small 10-home community. It will be necessary to erect a fence or guardrail to prevent further dumping.

B. A vacant City-owned house will be demolished. Property must be graded and seeded.