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**Summary  
GreenPrint Committee**

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**Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2009      3:30 pm      Location: Council Conference Room 391**

**Committee Members Present: Nevitt, Chair; Linkhart, Vice-Chair; Lehmann**

**Committee Members Absent: Brown**

**Other Council Present: Johnson, Madison**

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**1. Revisions to the City's agreement with Lowry Assumption Corporation**

Committee Action

The Committee approved amending the agreement with Lowry Assumption Corporation, LLC for environmental oversight of the former air force base to clarify that the final payment to the City is due no later than November 29, 2015, and to remove language for earlier payments based on obtaining zoning approvals.

Summary of Discussion

Alice Nightengale Luhan, Environmental Health and Katherine Wilmoth, City Attorney's Office Explained that under an agreement the City and Lowry Assumption Corporation, LLC ("LAC") entered in 2005 LAC must oversee soil disturbing activities within the former Lowry Air Force Base ("LAFB"). LAC is responsible for contamination issues at LAFB for a ten (10) year period after which time the City assumes responsibility for environmental conditions. To enable the City to meet its future obligations, the Agreement requires LAC to make a series of payments to the City. In the agreement dates were set but could be accelerated if LAC obtaining zoning approvals. Some members of the public have construed the agreement to mean that LAC was promised zoning approvals. At Councilwoman Marcia Johnson's request, the Agreement is being amended to eliminate the reference to zoning approval of the landfill parcel and to only require LAC to make the final outstanding payment no later than November 29, 2015.

**2. Briefing: Engines Off! Anti-Idling Program**

Summary of Discussion

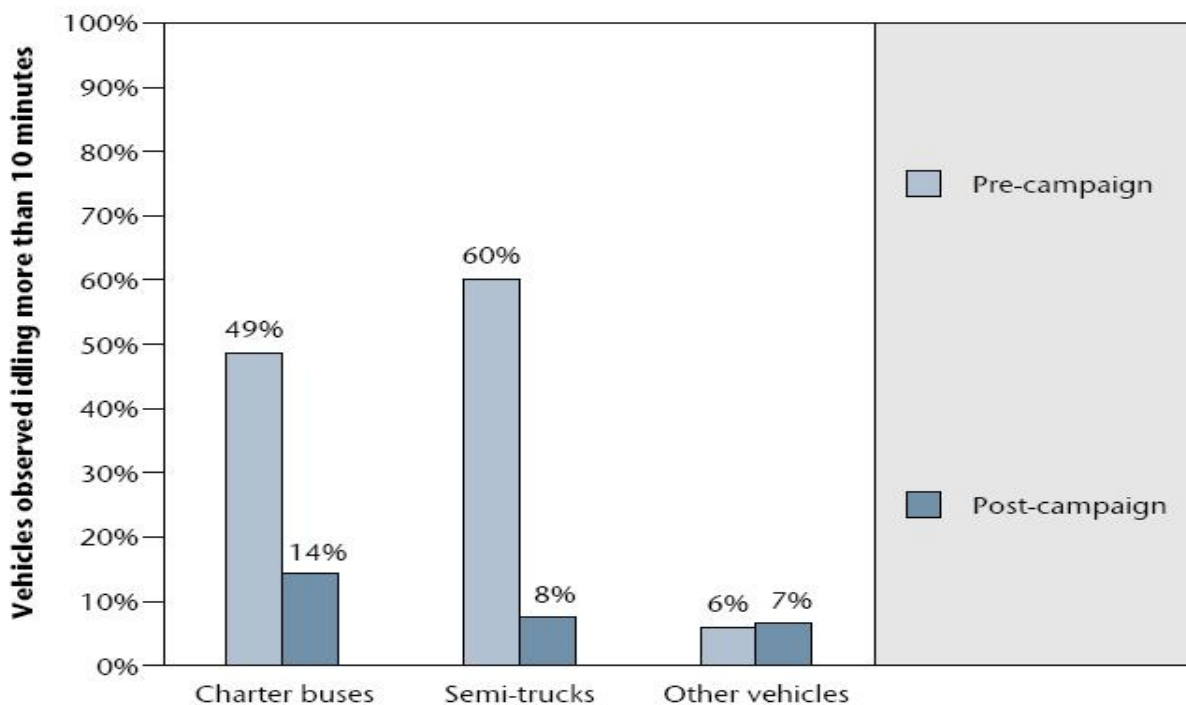
Matthew Marshall, Jeannette Spin Sutton, and Gregg Thomas, Environmental Health, described the successful anti-idling program making the following points:

- Idling for just one minute produces as much Carbon monoxide as smoking 3 packs of cigarettes
- In the Denver Metro region, idling is responsible for: 40,000 tons of air pollution year and over 400,000 tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually

- To establish a baseline for evaluating the project, focused on the Convention Center where many complaints originate, observations of 18 events (67 vehicles) were conducted and 81% were found to be idling
- Observations targeted main culprits (Charter buses, taxis) and education efforts were then focused on them
- Strategies to change behavior included:
  - New signage posted at Convention Center (18 posted)
  - Letters sent announcing project (80 sent)
  - Pledge sent to companies (27% signed)
  - Prompts distributed – clocks (142) and magnets (392)
  - Center security guards trained
  - Meetings with general services companies and event planners
  - Meetings with transportation companies

Results of the project are summarized in the following chart:

**Figure 4.**  
**Vehicles that were observed idling more than 10 minutes, pre- and post- “Engines Off!” campaign**



Note: n=35 during pre-campaign and n=21 during post-campaign research for charter buses.  
 n=15 during pre-campaign and n=13 during post-campaign research for semi-trucks.  
 n=17 during pre-campaign and n=45 during post-campaign research for other vehicles.  
 Other vehicles include delivery trucks, utility trucks, dump trucks, school buses, shuttles and transit buses (no transit buses or dump trucks were observed idling for more than 10 minutes in both pre-campaign and post-campaign research).

Source: BBC Research & Consulting, based on observational research from March – May, 2008 and October – November, 2008.

### 3. Briefing: Denver Citizens Health Status Study

Nancy Severson, Robin Valdes, Environmental Health, and Dr. Chris Urbina, Denver Health, reported on the recent study of Denver citizens' health to identify health disparities, examine trends, assess preventable conditions and provide data for management. Among the disparities identified by ethnic group which can be targeted for future prevention activities are:

#### Hispanic

- Lack of physical exercise
- Diabetes
- Teen births
- Access to health care

#### Young

- Unintentional Injury
- Homicides

#### American Indian

- Alcohol and Substance Abuse
- Mental Health Issues / Suicide

#### Black

- Heart disease
- Diabetes
- Tobacco use / lung cancer
- Low birth weight / infant mortality
- HIV / AIDS / gonorrhea / Chlamydia

#### Poor

- Lack of physical exercise
- Access to health care
- Substance abuse

Several questions were raised about the criteria grading the results of the report.