

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, AT 7:00 P.M. IN PERSON AND TELECONFERENCE

ESTABLISHING QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Delagneau (Virtual Attendance), Vice Chair Hecht, Commissioner van Reis, Commissioner Humayun, Commissioner Weiden

ABSENT: Commissioner Lu, Commissioner Teksler

ATTENDEES: Tania Katbi (Sustainability Coordinator)
Arlo Karpelevitch (Development Services Technician)
Nick Zornes (Director of Development Services)
Councilmember Pete Dailey (Council Liaison)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No Public Comment.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. Environmental Commission Minutes

Approved minutes of the August 14, 2023 meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hecht, seconded by Commissioner Humayun, the Environmental Commission approved the meeting minutes with suggested modifications.

The motion was approved (5-0) by the following vote:
AYES: Delagneau, Hecht, van Reis, Humayun, Weiden
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lu, Teksler
ABSTAIN: None

No public comment.

2. October Environmental Commission Meeting

Discussed potential new date for the October Environmental Commission Meeting, due to City holiday. Tentatively agreed to October 16th with staff to follow up with the Commission.

No public comment.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. Introduction: New Sustainability Staff

Introduction to Arlo Karpelevitch, the new Development Services Technician in the Sustainability Division.

No public comment.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Commission Annual Report

Discussed the FY 22-23 commission accomplishments and annual report. Slight modifications were discussed and will be changed at a later date before bringing it to council.

No public comment.

5. Single-use Plastics Ordinance

Tania Katbi gave a presentation about the proposed Single-use Plastics Ordinance followed by questions and comments from commissioners.

Public comment from Gary Hedden.

STAFF UPDATES

Tania Katbi provided updates on the Self-Serve Compost Station Pilot Program and the City Fleet Electrification Project.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioners provided updates from the August City Council meetings and assigned Commissioners to attend the 10/10 (Commissioner van Reis) and 10/24 (Commissioner Weiden) City Council meetings.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Letter of support: Lehigh Quarry
2. Permitting process for heat pumps, solar panels, and battery storage
3. SVCE Tariff On-Bill Program
4. Presentation from Bidgely, Inc.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Delagneau adjourned the meeting at 8:36 pm.