

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M. IN PERSON AND TELECONFERENCE

ESTABLISHING QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Hecht, Vice Chair Humayun, Commissioner Delagneau, Commissioner van Reis, and Commissioner Teksler (arrived at 6:22pm)

ABSENT: Commissioner Weiden

ATTENDEES: Tania Katbi (Sustainability Management Analyst)
Xiomara Aguirre (Development Services Technician)
Nick Zornes (Director of Development Services)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Gary Hedden, GreenTown Los Altos, provided public comment.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. Environmental Commission Minutes

Approved minutes of the May 8, 2024, meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Hecht, seconded by Commissioner Delagneau, the Environmental Commission approved the meeting minutes.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Delagneau, Hecht, Humayun, Teksler, van Reis, Lu

NOES: None

ABSENT: Weiden

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

2. Presentation from Mission Trail Waste Systems (MTWS)

MTWS staff gave an update on the state of plastic recycling, potential for Los Altos to expand recycling efforts, and SB 54.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. EV Fair

City Staff and the Commission discussed hosting a 2025 EV Fair or general Sustainability event and outreach at the 2025 Los Altos Farmers Market. The Commission will bring back this item for continued discussion in August.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Dark Skies/Bird Safe Ordinance

Chair Hecht and Commissioner Lu provided updates.

b. Single-Use Plastics

Staff and Commissioners provided information and updates.

c. Building Electrification

The Subcommittee (Vice Chair Humayun, Commissioner Delagneau and Commissioner Teksler) reported on their recommendations for accelerating building electrification.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioners provided updates from the May City Council meetings.

STAFF UPDATES

No updates.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. SVCE Update (FALL)
2. CAL Water Update (FALL)
3. Budget update/debrief (AUG)
4. GreenTown Summer Internship (AUG)
5. General Outreach

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hecht adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.