

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 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 (Virtual), Commissioner Lu

ABSENT: Commissioner Weiden

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Alice Mansell provided public comment.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. **Presentation on Tree City USA**

GreenTown's summer interns provided a presentation on steps to take to become a Tree City USA.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

2. **Environmental Commission Minutes**

Approved minutes of the June 12, 2024, meeting.

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

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

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Weiden

3. **Building Electrification Subcommittee Recommendations**

Action: Motion by Chair Hecht, Seconded by Vice Chair Humayan to approve all recommendations and direct the Subcommittee to work with City staff to refine the project list and determine the best sequence for implementation.

The motion was approved (5-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Delagneau, Hecht, Humayun, Teksler, Lu

ABSTAIN: van Reis

ABSENT: Weiden

The following members of public spoke during Public Comments:

- Gary Hedden
- Connie Miller
- David Cain

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. **Budget Update**

Assistance City Manager, Land Use, Nick Zornes provided an update on the Sustainability budget for 2024 and 2025.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. **2025 EV Fair**

Commissioner van Reiss informed the commission that no community organization has committed to hosting the EV Fair in 2025.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. **Council Meeting Report Out**

Commissioners provided updates from the June City Council meetings.

2. **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

a. **Dark Skies/Bird Safe Ordinance**

No updates.

b. **Single-Use Plastics**

Presentation by Isabelle Thyfault, City Intern, on Single-use Plastic Foodware Ordinance Business / Community Outreach.

c. **Building Electrification**

The subcommittee presented their recommendations.

STAFF UPDATES

No updates.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. SVCE Update (FALL)
2. CAL Water Update (FALL)
3. General Outreach (September)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hecht adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.