



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes

Sustainability Commission

Monday, August 19, 2024

7:00 PM

Online and Bay Conference Room, City
Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave.,
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Veitch called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Bay Conference Room (Room 145) at City Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Veitch led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Chair Tonya Veitch
Vice Chair Jeffery Nabhan
Commissioner Cortney Jansen
Commissioner Douglas Kunz
Commissioner Bobbykin Makwana
Commissioner Richard Parenteau
Commissioner Kristina Pistone

Council Liaison - Councilmember Melingher (present)

PRESENTATION

[24-0895](#) PRESENTATION - Clean Water Program Updates

Christine Jiang, Senior Environmental Engineer, provided an update on the clean water program and construction activities at the Water Pollution Control Plant in Sunnyvale. Commissioners asked clarifying questions, and staff provided answers.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1 [24-0896](#) Approve the Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2024

Commissioner Parenteau moved, and Commissioner Jansen seconded, a motion to approve the consent calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair Veitch
 Vice Chair Nabhan
 Commissioner Jansen
 Commissioner Kunz
 Commissioner Makwana
 Commissioner Parenteau

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Pistone

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

- 2 [24-0897](#) Working with Partner Cities in Santa Clara County for addition of Medium-duty and Heavy-duty truck Hydrogen Fueling Station (potential Study Issue)

Christina Raby, Interim Environmental Programs Manager, provided an overview of the Study Issue process and key dates to the Commission. Ms. Raby provided a brief summary of the potential Study Issue, and Commissioner Parenteau explained his rationale for submitting it. Ms. Raby summarized the staff response.

Commissioners asked clarifying questions and Commissioner Parenteau, and staff provided answers.

Chair Veitch opened Public Comment at 8:24 p.m.

Chair Veitch closed Public Comment at 8:25 p.m.

Commissioners offered their comments on the potential Study Issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Parenteau moved, and Commissioner Kunz seconded, a motion to propose the Study Issue.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Veitch
Vice Chair Nabhan
Commissioner Jansen
Commissioner Kunz
Commissioner Makwana
Commissioner Parenteau
Commissioner Pistone

No: 0

- 3** [24-0898](#) Update Sunnyvale code and regulations for homes/buildings to encourage/require having bi-directional EV interfaces (potentially with incentives) to accelerate adoption by 2026. Distributed power storage to reduce grid demand (potential Study Issue)

Ms. Raby summarized the potential Study Issue and staff response. Commissioner Parenteau explained his rationale for submitting it.

Commissioners asked questions about the potential Study Issue and Commissioner Parenteau, and Ms. Raby provided answers.

Chair Veitch opened Public Comment at 8:54 p.m.

Chair Veitch closed Public Comment at 8:54 p.m.

Commissioners offered their comments on the potential Study Issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Parenteau moved to propose the Study Issue. The motion did not have a second.

The motion failed for lack of a second to the motion.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Jansen provided an update on the August 3 Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action Youth Summit that took place at the Quinlan Community Center in Cupertino.

Chair Veitch thanked the Commission for supporting her first meeting as Chair of the Sustainability Commission. Chair Veitch shared a limited time discount for Bay Area residents to switch to solar and battery storage through a program called Bay Area SunShares. Discounts are available in the fall each year and this year the discounts are available from September 1 to November 15, 2024.

-Staff Comments

Ms. Raby reported on past and upcoming events.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[24-0899](#)

Updated Annual Work Plan August 2024

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.