



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes

### Sustainability Commission

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Monday, March 16, 2026

7:00 PM

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

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[26-0392](#) Sustainability Speaker Series Proposal for FY 2026/27 - 27/28

Madeline Khair, Environmental Programs Manager, presented an overview of attendance trends and proposed updates to the Sustainability Speaker Series, including a shift toward fewer, more interactive in-person events over a two-year period.

The Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee, composed of Commissioner Jansen, Vice Chair Pistone, and Chair Nabhan presented the Draft FY 2026/27 and FY 2027/28 Sustainability Speaker Series Proposal. The focus for the series is to host interactive, in-person and community building events to increase participation. The proposal included the following six proposed topics and event formats, for up to three events to be hosted between FY 2026/27 and FY 2027/28: (1) Sustainability and Climate Messaging Workshop; (2) Waste Reduction Fair; (3) Resilience Hubs Workshop; (4) Cross-generational Climate Roundtable Discussion; (5) Food-focused Fair; (6) All About Plastic Fair. The Subcommittee also presented potential speakers and organizations to partner with and potential talk titles. The Commission discussed the pros and cons of each topic and clarified differences between topics.

Chair Nabhan opened public comment at 9:10 p.m.

No public comment.

Chair Nabhan closed public comment at 9:10 p.m.

The Commission discussed consolidating topics before ranking.

Chair Nabhan called a five-minute recess at 9:13 p.m.

The Commission reconvened at 9:18 p.m.

Commissioner Kunz moved, and Commissioner Ford seconded, a motion to combine the waste reduction, food fair, and plastics fair topics into a single waste reduction fair.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Chair Nabhan  
Vice Chair Pistone  
Commissioner Ford  
Commissioner Kunz  
Commissioner Parenteau

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Chang  
Commissioner Jansen

Commissioners individually ranked each topic. Staff tabulated the rankings and provided the following ranked list of topics:

(1) Waste Reduction Fair; (2) Sustainability and Climate Messaging Workshop; (3) Cross-generational Climate Roundtable Discussion; (4) Resilience Hubs Workshop.

Commissioner Parenteau moved, and Commissioner Kunz seconded, a motion to approve the FY 2026/27 and FY 2027/28 Sustainability Speaker Series topics as prioritized and authorize staff to finalize it.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Chair Nabhan  
Vice Chair Pistone  
Commissioner Ford  
Commissioner Kunz  
Commissioner Parenteau

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Chang  
Commissioner Jansen