



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes

### Sustainability Commission

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Monday, June 17, 2024

7:00 PM

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

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

#### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chair Kunz led the salute to the flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Chair Douglas Kunz  
Vice Chair Tonya Veitch  
Commissioner Bobbykin Makwana  
Commissioner Jeffery Nabhan  
Commissioner Richard Parenteau  
Commissioner Kristina Pistone  
Commissioner Kristel Wickham

Council Liaison – Councilmember Din (absent)

#### **PRESENTATION**

[24-0718](#) PRESENTATION - Recognition of Service

Mayor Klein thanked Commissioners Besser, Wickham and Vice Chair Veitch for their years of service on the Sustainability Commission. He commended them and the Sustainability Commission for their contributions to moving the City's sustainability initiatives forward. Ramana Chinnakotla, Director of Environmental Services, acknowledged Commissioners Besser, Wickham and Vice Chair Veitch for their years of service on the Sustainability Commission and provided key highlights on each member.

[24-0719](#) PRESENTATION - Review Study Issue Process and Timelines

Christina Raby, Environmental Engineering Coordinator, presented an overview of the Study Issue process and timeline to the Commission and answered questions.

[24-0717](#)      PRESENTATION - Building and Transportation  
Decarbonization Policy Best Practices

Commissioner Wickham provided an overview of building decarbonization policy best practices and noted a separate Commissioner presentation will be given by Chair Kunz on transportation decarbonization best practices at a later meeting date. Commissioners asked clarifying questions, and Commissioner Wickham provided answers.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

[24-0716](#)      Approve the Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of  
May 20, 2024

Commissioner Nabhan moved, and Commissioner Makwana seconded, a motion to approve the consent calendar with a minor spelling change to Richard Parenteau's last name. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Chair Kunz  
Vice Chair Veitch  
Commissioner Makwana  
Commissioner Nabhan  
Commissioner Wickham

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 2 - Commissioner Parenteau  
Commissioner Pistone

**STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES**

None.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

**-Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Pistone reported on a podcast episode called "The Los Angeles Leaf Blower Wars" by 99% Invisible and encouraged Commissioners to listen. Commissioner Pistone also described an HBO special by John Oliver on deep-sea mining for Commissioners to watch.

Commissioner Parenteau voiced excitement to be on the Sustainability Commission and the opportunity to discuss topics related to climate action and

sustainability in Sunnyvale.

Commissioner Wickham welcomed Commissioner Parenteau to the Sustainability Commission and thanked the Commission for all of the accomplishments achieved during her time as a Commissioner. Commissioner Wickham also promoted the June 20 online event, Electrify Your Life Series: Local Success Stories hosted by the Sunnyvale Public Library and encouraged Commissioners and the public to attend the event.

Chair Kunz notified the Commission of the upcoming City Council public hearing item, Adopt Updates to the Climate Action Playbook and Game Plan 2028, and encouraged Commissioners to attend the meeting online or in-person to support the adoption of the item.

**-Staff Comments**

Ms. Raby reported on upcoming events.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

[24-0720](#) Updated Annual Work Plan June 2024

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.