



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Sustainability Commission

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Monday, August 15, 2016

7:00 PM

West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 W.  
Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Paton called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the West Conference Room.

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

Chair Paton led the salute to the flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Chair Bruce Paton  
 Vice Chair Amit Srivastava  
 Commissioner Brian Glazebrook  
 Commissioner Dan Hafeman  
 Commissioner Petya Kisyova  
 Commissioner Kristel Wickham  
 Commissioner Steven Zornetzer

**Commissioner Glazebrook arrived at 7:05 p.m.**

**Council Liaison – Pat Meyering (absent)**

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Tim Oey, a Sunnyvale resident and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commissioner, talked about his family's efforts to be zero waste, citing that they only take out their trash and recycling a few times a year. He invited the Commissioners to a zero waste potluck on August 28 on Allison Way, Sunnyvale, and to the 2016 Trailblazer Race organized by Friends of Stevens Creek Trail.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1**      [16-0825](#)      Approve the Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2016

Vice Chair Srivastava moved and Commissioner Hafeman seconded a motion to approve the July 18, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 4 - Chair Paton  
Vice Chair Srivastava  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Wickham

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 3 - Commissioner Glazebrook  
Commissioner Kisyova  
Commissioner Zornetzer

Commissioners Glazebrook, Kisyova, and Zornetzer abstained as they were not present at the July meeting.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 2**      [16-0641](#)      City-wide Residential Food Scraps Collection Program for Single-Family Households and Small Businesses that Use Commercial Cart Service

Mark Bowers, Solid Waste Programs Division Manager, and Karen Gissibl, Environmental Programs Manager, presented a report on residential food scraps recovery, which included a summary of findings from the City's recent pilot study and its proposed city-wide rollout. Mr. Bowers highlighted program costs, its anticipated food scrap recovery rate, and its unique features (e.g., 70/30 split trash/food scrap carts).

The Commission asked clarification questions about the study and commended the City's progress towards achieving the goals in its Zero Waste Strategic Plan.

Chair Paton opened the public hearing.

Tim Oey commented that the city-wide program provides a viable alternative for residents who, like him, are interested in separating food scraps from trash but do not have the time or capability for backyard composting.

Chair Paton closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Hafeman moved and Commissioner Zornetzer seconded a motion to recommend that Council approve the staff recommendation (Alternative 1) of the report, with the comment that the City should implement the city-wide food scraps collection program as quickly as possible. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 7 -** Chair Paton  
Vice Chair Srivastava  
Commissioner Glazebrook  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Kisyova  
Commissioner Wickham  
Commissioner Zornetzer

**No: 0**

**3**      [16-0716](#)      Sustainability Speaker Series Coordination

Nupur Hiremath, Sustainability Coordinator, provided clarification on the process for forming an Ad Hoc Committee to support development of the Sustainability Speaker Series proposal.

Commissioner Wickham moved and Vice Chair Srivastava seconded a motion to form an Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of planning the Sustainability Speaker Series.

The Commission asked for clarification on the budgeted amount and the anticipated implementation timeline for the Speaker Series. Elaine Marshall, Environmental Programs Manager, clarified that the budget contained \$25,000 per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) for the Sustainability Speaker Series and that any leftover funds would carry over to the subsequent fiscal year, as this item was a part of the Projects Budget. She added that the Commission's recommended plan for the Speaker Series would need to be submitted to City Council for approval.

Chair Paton offered a friendly amendment to propose that the Ad Hoc Committee return to the Commission with a draft plan for the Speaker Series within three months.

Commissioner Wickham accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion carried by the following vote: