



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Final

Sustainability Commission

Monday, November 20, 2017

7:00 PM

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

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: 6 - Chair Bruce Paton
Commissioner Dan Hafeman
Commissioner Adriana Imbre
Commissioner Stephen Joesten
Commissioner Kristel Wickham
Commissioner Steven Zornetzer

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Amit Srivastava

Commissioner Zornetzer arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Commissioner Hafeman arrived at 7:06 p.m.

Vice Srivastava's absence is unexcused.

Council Liaison – Jim Griffith (absent)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

[17-1132](#)

Approve the Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of
September 18, 2017

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

Yes: 6 - Chair Paton
Commissioner Hafeman
Commissioner Imbre
Commissioner Joesten
Commissioner Wickham
Commissioner Zornetzer

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Srivastava

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

[17-1129](#) 2018 Sustainability Speaker Series Update

Commissioner Wickham, a member of the Ad Hoc Committee (Subcommittee) that supports the Sustainability Speaker Series, provided an update regarding Council's approval of the topics prioritized by the Commission and also on its decision in October to limit the series to four events and to cap the Series budget at \$25,000 as previously approved by Council. As a result of this decision, Commissioner Wickham explained that the Subcommittee had revised its proposed speakers to ensure they could be accommodated within budget while keeping the topics prioritized. Staff added that standard events would be held in City Council Chambers to facilitate video recording, but events that were anticipated to draw a larger audience may be held at the Sunnyvale Theater.

[17-1130](#) Consideration of Adding a Member to the Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee

Commissioner Wickham proposed that since all seven seats on the Commission were now filled, the Commission should consider adding a third member to the Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee.

Commissioner Wickham moved, and Commissioner Joesten seconded, to add Commissioner Imbre to the Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair Paton
Commissioner Hafeman
Commissioner Imbre
Commissioner Joesten
Commissioner Wickham
Commissioner Zornetzer

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Srivastava

[17-1133](#) 2018 Annual Work Plan Topics

The Commission developed a list of topic areas and sub-topics it was interested in considering for its 2018 Annual Work Plan. To account for the diversity of opinions, the Commission conducted a ranking exercise to help prioritize topics. Based on the written prioritization, each Commissioner prioritized the topics as follows:

Commissioner Hafeman: Built Environment; CAP 1.0 and 2.0; Bus Rapid Transit

Commissioner Imbre: Built Environment; CAP 1.0 and 2.0; Waste

Commissioner Joesten: Mixed use developments at Moffett Park; electric vehicles (EVs) in Sunnyvale; Commercial Waste Diversion programs

Chair Paton: Gap analysis to bridge CAP 1.0 and 2.0; Green Building Code update and Zero Net Energy Regulations; Peery Park Rides program

Commissioner Wickham: CAP 1.0 and 2.0; Green Building Code update and Zero Net Energy Regulations; EVs in Sunnyvale

Commissioner Zornetzer: CAP 1.0 and 2.0; Built Environment; Transit

Staff will consolidate the topics ranked by the Commission and prepare a draft Annual Work Plan for review with the Chair and Vice Chair. A draft Work Plan will be made available for the Commission's review and approval at the December meeting.

[17-1128](#) Annual Review of Code of Ethic and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

The Commission discussed item 4 (Non-Routine Requests Requiring Special Effort) of the section on Member Questions/Inquiries to Staff (pg. 8 of Code) and requested

clarification on what threshold of time is considered acceptable for staff to respond to a Commission request for information. Staff will provide clarification at a future meeting.

STANDING ITEM: CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP 2.0) UPDATE

[17-1131](#)

Discussion of Adaptation and Additional Elements for Consideration in CAP 2.0

Commissioner Joesten shared that the CAP 2.0 Advisory Committee (CAC) had met twice to date and had elected Commissioner Wickham as the Chair of the Committee. Staff shared that James Tuleya had been elected as the Vice Chair. Commissioner Wickham mentioned that the CAC had a strong diversity of backgrounds.

Chair Paton mentioned his preference was to address adaptation as a part of CAP 2.0. Commissioners Wickham and Joesten, the Commission's representatives to the CAC, agreed to keep adaptation in mind and bring it up at CAC meetings as appropriate.

Nupur Hiremath, Sustainability Coordinator, answered clarification questions regarding the purpose and role of the CAC. She explained that the goal of the CAP 2.0 Initiative was to develop a CAP 2.0 Framework that contained a long-term plan to address emissions by 2030 and 2050, but that staff would then need to develop short-term work plans for more detailed implementation of that framework. The project schedule currently includes presenting the CAP 2.0 Framework to the Commission at its October 2018 meeting. Information on the CAP 2.0 and the CAC meetings is available on the City's website.

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Joesten shared that he had attended a meeting of the Energy subgroup of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, which had discussed how the EV charger permitting fee was significantly higher than the rooftop solar permitting fee, thereby serving as a disincentive to encourage EV proliferation. He also mentioned he was attending the Zero Net Energy workshop in San Jose on December 13, 2017.

Commissioner Wickham shared that she attended a Sunnyvale Democratic Club meeting. She also announced an upcoming event of interest on sustainable water strategies entitled No Drop Left Behind, being held on December 5, 2017.

Chair Paton recounted a conversation with Mayor Glenn Hendricks who had encouraged the Commission to continue proposing Study Issues so that Council would have a pulse on sustainability topics of interest that are worth considering for funding.

-Staff Comments

Ms. Hiremath shared that as of October, Elaine Marshall, Environmental Programs Manager, was now also serving as Interim Regulatory Programs Division Manager. She also shared that although Sunnyvale was not selected as a finalist in the Georgetown University Prize competition, it had been selected as one of the top 8 communities receiving special recognition.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.