



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Final

Sustainability Commission

Monday, November 15, 2021

7:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Webstream

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to Government Code Subdivision 54953(e), the meeting was conducted telephonically; pursuant to state law, the City Council made the necessary findings by adopting Resolution No. 1089-21 on October 26, 2021.

Chair Wickham called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Chair Kristel Wickham
Vice Chair Douglas Kunz
Commissioner Shana Padgett
Commissioner Kristina Pistone
Commissioner Murali Srinivasan
Commissioner Tonya Veitch
Commissioner Justin Wang

Council Liaison – Councilmember Larsson (present).

Councilmember Larsson arrived at 7:06 p.m.

Chair Wickham, Vice Chair Kunz, all Commissioners, and Council liaison attended via teleconference.

PRESENTATION

[21-1047](#) PRESENTATION - Superfund Sites in Sunnyvale
(Commissioner presentation)

Chair Wickham shared a summary of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Superfund Program and the status of Superfund Sites in Sunnyvale. Commissioners asked clarifying questions, and Chair Wickham responded.

Chair Wickham open public comment.

Vincent Anderson, Civilian Fire Marshal for the City of Sunnyvale, thanked Chair Wickham for her presentation.

Chair Wickham closed public comment.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

[21-1048](#) Approve the Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2021

Commissioner Wang moved, and Commissioner Veitch seconded, a motion to approve the consent calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair Wickham
Vice Chair Kunz
Commissioner Pistone
Commissioner Srinivasan
Commissioner Veitch
Commissioner Wang

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Padgett

Commissioner Padgett abstained as she was not present at the October 18, 2021, meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

[21-1051](#) Approve 2022 Master Work Plan

The Commission reviewed and discussed finalizing the Draft 2022 Master Work Plan. The Draft Work Plan was prepared by staff in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair and reflects topics prioritized by the Commission.

Chair Wickham opened the public hearing.

No public comments were made.

Chair Wickham closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Pistone moved, and Commissioner Wang seconded, a motion to approve the 2022 Master Annual Work Plan, as amended.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Wickham
Vice Chair Kunz
Commissioner Padgett
Commissioner Pistone
Commissioner Srinivasan
Commissioner Veitch
Commissioner Wang

No: 0

[21-1056](#) Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee Handoff

The former members of the Sustainability Speaker Series Subcommittee gave an overview of the materials distributed via staff to the new Subcommittee members. New Subcommittee members asked questions and former Subcommittee members and staff provided responses.

Chair Wickham opened the public hearing.

No public comments were made.

Chair Wickham closed the public hearing.

[21-1055](#) Annual Review of Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

Madeline Willett, Environmental Engineering Coordinator, described the changes and updates to the Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials (hereafter, Code of Ethics) between 2020 and 2021. Commissioners asked clarifying questions and staff provided responses.

Chair Wickham opened the public hearing.

No public comments were made.

Chair Wickham closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Srinivasan moved, and Commissioner Wang seconded, a motion declaring that the Commissioners have read and will abide by the rules of the Code of Ethics.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Wickham
Vice Chair Kunz
Commissioner Padgett
Commissioner Pistone
Commissioner Srinivasan
Commissioner Veitch
Commissioner Wang

No: 0

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

No new Study Issues were submitted.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Chair Wickham encouraged Commissioners who had interest in other City Boards or Commissions to review their agendas and identify items of interest to the Sustainability Commission. She shared that Senator Josh Becker will provide a summary of COP26 online during a webinar on November 16, 2021, at noon. Chair Wickham also noted that the City of Half Moon Bay will hold hearings on two building electrification ordinances at their City Council meeting on November 16, 2021.

Commissioner Veitch shared that 50 community members attended the Sunnyvale BayREN Homeowner Energy Efficiency and Electrification webinar on October 28, 2021. She encouraged Commissioners to attend future Behavior, Energy and Climate Change conferences (BECC).

Commissioner Pistone recommended that Commissioners look at the key takeaways and summaries from the United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP26.

-Staff Comments

Ms. Willett thanked Commissioner Veitch for her support with the BayREN webinar and reminded Commissioners they can find upcoming Council items of interest on the Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar (TCMAC).

Nupur Hiremath, Environmental Programs Manager, shared that Shannon Keener has joined the team as an Environmental Programs Specialist working on sustainability programs.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[21-1050](#) Sponsored and Returning Study Issues

[21-1049](#) Updated Annual Work Plan November 2021

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.