



# ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

**Arrillaga Family Gymnasium**

600 Alma Street, Menlo Park

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Slomiak at 6:33 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chris DeCardy, Adina Levin, Mitch Slomiak (Chair), Scott Marshall, Christina Smolke (Vice Chair) arrived at 7:43

Absent: Douglas Scott, Kristin Kuntz-Duriseti

**A. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

## **B. REGULAR BUSINESS**

**B1.** Discuss Recommendation to City Council Regarding Adoption of a Polystyrene Food Ware Ordinance

**Action:** Motion and second (Levin/Marshall) to recommend that the City Council adopt the Polystyrene Food Ware Ordinance as presented by City staff passes 4-0-3 (Absent: Smolke, Scott, Kuntz-Duriseti).

**B2.** Discuss Environmental Quality Commission Recommendation to City Council Regarding Potential Groundwater Irrigation Well and Water Management Policies

### Public Comment

- Mary Kuechler thanked the Commission for time spent on the decision and thoughtful feedback on this project.
- Robert Wilkes-Valued the decision making process of the EQC for this project.

**Action:** Motion and second (Slomiak/DeCardy) approving the report as modified (below) be submitted to the City Council with Commissioner DeCardy (Commissioner Levin as an alternate) making the presentation passes 4-0-3 (Absent: Smolke, Scott, Kuntz-Duriseti).

### Modifications:

- On page two, add City staff to the sentence that the EQC is prepared to partner with Council.
- Strike recommendation to City Council, and call it "Next Steps."
- Move "Next Steps" above previous paragraph.
- "Next Steps" paragraph will state that a representative from the EQC will appear before City Council to explain groundwater irrigation well recommendation, and in addition, upon City Council request EQC will assist City Council and staff with development of plans for long term grey water management plan and for clarification of aquifer water rights.

### **B3. Discuss Summer Environmental Quality Commission Meeting Schedule**

**Action:** Motion and second (Slomiak/DeCardy) to move the July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting to July 11<sup>th</sup>, and place this item on the agenda again for August schedule passes 4-0-3 (Absent: Smolke, Scott, Kuntz-Duriseti).

### **C. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ACTION:** Reports and announcements were received by the Commission

- C1.** Staff Update on Environmental Policies to be considered by City Council
- C2.** Commission Subcommittee Reports and Announcements
- C3.** Discuss Future Agenda Items

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Rebecca Fotu, Staff Liaison.