

Environmental Quality Commission



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 9/27/2017
Time: 6:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers
701 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Chair London called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Allan Bedwell (arrived at 6:39 p.m.), Chris DeCardy, Janelle London, Scott Marshall, Joyce Dickerson, Deb Martin
Absent: Christina Smolke
Staff: Rebecca Lucky and Jason Ino

C. Public Comment

No public comment was received

D. Regular Business

D1. Update and discussion of City's progress for electric vehicle charging station infrastructure.

Rebecca Lucky provided a presentation to the commission.

ACTION: Motion and second (London/Martin) to deputize commissioner Bedwell to represent the Environmental Quality Commission at the community stakeholder meeting in October (6-0-1; Smolke absent).

Public Comment: John Woodell provided recommendations in regard to electric vehicle charging station infrastructure, such as using data collected from public charging stations to better support current and future charging station infrastructure.

D2. Discussion of 2018 to 2020 Climate Action Plan initiatives.

Rebecca Lucky provided an update to the commission.

Public Comment: Diane Bailey, from Menlo Spark, provided a list of initiatives that the City could take to meet Climate Action Plan goals while mitigating equity issues in the community, such as promoting community scale solar projects.

D3. Discussion of greenhouse gas reduction goal beyond 2020.

Rebecca Lucky provided an update to the commission.

Public Comment: Diane Bailey, from Menlo Spark, provided a list of recommendations for the commission to consider while discussing the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions beyond 2020,

such as setting a 2025 goal.

Commissioner DeCardy left the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

- D4. Approve the August 23, 2017, Environmental Quality Commission meeting minutes.

ACTION: Motion and second (London/Bedwell) to approve the August 23, Environmental Quality Commission meeting minutes passes (4-1-2; Dickerson abstains; DeCardy and Smolke absent).

E. Reports and Announcements

- E1. Commissioner reports

London provided a verbal report on the H1 item of the September 26 City Council meeting. The item considered the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration, rezoning, rezoning, General Plan amendment, tentative map, use permit, architectural control, below market rate housing agreement, and heritage tree removal permits, as well as a tax exchange agreement, for the 2111-2121 Sand Hill Road ("2131 Sand Hill Road") project.

- E2. Staff updates and announcements

Rebecca Lucky, Sustainability Manager, provided the Environmental Quality Commission with a verbal update on progress of the Zero Waste Plan, staff recruitment, and general focus for the Sustainability Office over the next three months.

- E3. Future agenda items

- 1730 Stanford Ave. heritage tree appeal for one magnolia tree
- An informal report on the Community meeting from Bedwell
- CAP subcommittee report on goal and CAP strategies

F. Adjournment

Chair London adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Jason Ino