



MEETING MINUTES

Environmental and Sustainability Board

City of Huntington Beach

WEDNESDAY, August 10, 2022

6:00 PM – Regular Meeting

Civic Center Lower Level B8 & Zoom

A. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00PM by Councilmember Moser

B. ROLL CALL

- Present: Natalie Moser, Bud Benneman, Kathleen McGowan, Joan Siegal, KC Fockler
- Absent: Dan Kalmick (excused)
- Planning Commission Liaison: Oscar Rodriguez
- City Staff: Catherine Jun, Shannon Levin

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A total of three (3) individuals attended the meeting in person and via Zoom.

Mike Elliot made a public comment to discuss revisiting beekeeping and the City's related ordinance. Mark Sheldon suggested the SMP use creative, public outreach. Hildy Myers asked about the statewide composting requirement and how the City will implement.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:

Review and approve the April 14, 2022 Minutes as presented.

MOTION: Moved by Bud Benneman, seconded by Siegal to approve the minutes.

The motion carried by the following vote 4-0-1-1.

AYES: Moser, Benneman, Fockler, McGowan, Siegal

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Kalmick

E. SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN PROJECT

The project team of consultants from Buro Happold and Raimi & Associates were introduced to the Board.

- Chris Rhie, Associate Principal, Buro Happold
- Louis Spanias, Senior Consultant, Buro Happold
- Sami Taylor, Engagement Co-lead, Rami & Associates

The team made a presentation on draft Community Engagement Plan, data collection and conditions assessment, and project schedule. The Board



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provided comments to include Golden West College, other regional agencies such as OCSAN, Orange County Public Works/Flood Control District, and area universities such as Cal State Long Beach and UCI for community engagement. The Board suggested altering language in the Sampling Plan to more positively identify renter-residents, who may typically not be solicited for or provide input.

The Board also engaged in discussion identifying priority to include in the Plan: Water conservation, landscaping, waste reduction, composting, micro-digesters, active transportation, EV charging, messaging and wording choice, and communication with the public. The Board discussed policy based on evidence backed decisions and utilizing public-private partnerships to sponsor and help create projects.

Staff will update the timeline and send to the Board.

F. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Benneman requested to discuss the safety of electric bikes and active transit. McGowan notified the Board that her community member seat for OCPA is available.

G. STAFF COMMENTS/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Staff will send out the beekeeping report mentioned in public comment.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32PM by Councilmember Moser

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental and Sustainability Board is Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center Lower Level B8.

Respectfully Submitted by Staff Liaison Shannon Levin.

Approved by the Environmental and Sustainability Board on October 12, 2022