



CITY OF GLENDALE
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
July 7, 2022 AT 5:35 PM

1. ROLL CALL – 5:35 PM

- The meeting was called to order on July 7, 2022, at 5:35 pm
 - *Present:* Chairperson Werner, Commissioner Khanjian and Bartrosouf. Student Ex-Officio Member Prado
 - *Absent:* Vice Chair Pinkerton, Commissioner Kartounian, and Ex-Officio Member Gang
- a) **Pledge of Allegiance.**
- b) **The Agenda for the July 7, 2022 meeting of the Sustainability Commission was posted on June 30, 2022, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Approval of the Minutes of the Commission regular meeting held June 2, 2022.

Motion to approve minutes from the June 2, 2022, Sustainability Commission Meeting as submitted.

Moved by Commissioner Khanjian and seconded by Chair Werner.

- Ayes: Commissioner Khanjian, Bartrosouf, and Chair Werner
- Noes:
- Abstain:

3. BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMENTS

- Staff Comments:
 - Suggestion to put on August Sustainability Commission meeting an item on the agenda regarding the Sustainability Commission's Work Plan, swearing in of Student Ex-Officio Commissioners, and Land Acknowledgement.

- Board Member Comments:
 - Motion from Commissioner Bartrousf for the Sustainability Commission to agendize an action item regarding a recommendation to prohibit drive-thrus city-wide. Seconded by Commissioner Khanjian.
- Questions:
 - Do we have an update on City Council review of the artificial turf agenda item previously at the Sustainability Commission?

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Discussion is limited to items not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Sustainability Commission. Each speaker is allowed 5 minutes. Sustainability Commission members may question or respond to the speaker, but there will be no debate or decision. The matter may be referred to staff for investigation and report.

- Cathy Jurca – Board member of Verdugo Woodlands Home Owners Association – regarding Sustainability Commission to agendize an item to promote urban forest in the City of Glendale and encourage City Council to support Public Works staff.
 - Motion by Chair Werner and Seconded by Commissioner Bartrosouf.

5. Action Items

a) Selection of Student Ex Officio non-voting members.

Motion approving the selection and appointment of Student Ex officio non-voting members to the Sustainability Commission.

Student Commissioner committee recommended Mike Borisov and Yuzuna Kudo as the next Student Ex officio non-voting members.

Motioned by Commissioner Bartosouf and seconded by Khanjian.

- Ayes: Commissioner Khanjian, Bartrosouf, and Chair Werner
- Noes:
- Abstain:

The selection of Mike Borisov and Yuzuna Kudo as Student Ex Officio non-voting members passed.

Public comments from Monica Campagna commending all of the student ex officio non-voting commissioner applicants.

6. Reports and Information

a) Organics Recycling and Food Recovery

Update on SB 1348, organics recycling, and food recovery programs in Integrated Waste. Presented by Mr. Etienne Ozark and Mr. Dan Hardgrove.

- Once you receive a new cart, do you no longer need to put your organics in a plastic bag?
- Is that the plan long-term to put organics in a plastic bag?
- The kitchen pails for organics that are going to be provided. Is that something that a dog, for instance, can get into?
- For the organics exemptions, if I compost my waste, do I qualify for the exemption?
- Why do the bags need to be clear, given that most compostable options aren't necessarily clear? Can you clarify why it has to be a clear bag rather than another type of bag?
- Are kitchen pails available to multi-family tenants or only single-family?
- Do we have any figures on how many families have requested this pail?
- Are the new carts and pales made of recycled plastic? Will the old carts be recycled?

Public comments from David Eisenberg regarding the organics recycling program in multi-family homes and asking the Commission to make this an action item to review the organics recycling program's equity.

b) Verdugo Wash Visioning Update

Update on the Verdugo Wash Vision project presented by Bradley Calvert.

- Has there been any consideration of integrating any type of solar energy into the project? Does the Verdugo Wash have an option to install a solar array?
- Is the working group all design professors? Does it have any members of the community?

Public comments from Cathy Jurca commending the Verdugo Wash Visioning project.

7. Sustainability Office Updates

a) Building Electrification Reach Code Project

- Can we get a confirmation that the reach codes will be done in time?
- Is the City getting all of its energy from green sources at this time?

Public comments from Kate Unger commending David Jones for the update, work on the reach codes, and collaboration with her organization.

b) Climate Action and Adaptation Plan

- Is there an opportunity for a member of the community to be involved in the consultant selection process?
- What happens after July 14th?
- What's the timeline for you?
- Are you hoping to have the consultant on board before the end of the year?

8. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:34 PM

Moved by Commissioner Khanjian and seconded by Chair Werner.