

CITY COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Remote Participation – Digital Zoom Meeting
January 10, 2022
4:30 p.m. – 5:51 p.m.
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Halliday.

ROLL CALL:

Members:

Present:

- Barbara Halliday, Mayor/CSC Chair
- Elisa Márquez, City Council Member
- Francisco Zermeño, City Council Member

Staff:

- Alex Ameri, Director of Public Works
- Nicole Grucky, Sustainability Specialist
- Linda Ko, Senior Secretary (Recorder)
- Jeff Krump, Solid Waste Program Manager
- Jennifer Ott, Assistant City Manager
- Erik Pearson, Environmental Services Manager
- Nick Tabari, Audio Visual Specialist
- Carolyn Weisman, Climate Corps Fellow
- Elisa Wilfong, Water Pollution Control Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Council Sustainability Committee (CSC) Meeting Held on November 8, 2021

The item was moved by Council Member Zermeño, seconded by Council Member Márquez, and approved unanimously.

2. Regulation of Direct Discharge of Stormwater from Private Properties – Information and Discussion

Elisa Wilfong, Water Pollution Control Administrator, gave a presentation on the Municipal Regional Permit (MRP) mandate to regulate properties that discharge stormwater directly to the City’s storm drain system and the recommended approach to address the mandate.

Council Member Márquez suggested that staff provide a gentle reminder to business owners, perhaps through the business license renewal process, to inform business owners of the requirements to monitor and clean up trash on their property.

Mayor Halliday inquired if there were any state or regional funds to assist with compliance with the mandate. Ms. Wilfong stated that staff is not aware of funds for private properties

but could guide and provide information to any private property owners who want to explore different options or technical assistance in getting trash capture devices installed.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

3. Solid Waste and Recycling Franchise Agreement: Update on Negotiations; Request to Extend Franchise Agreement for 12 months until March 1, 2023; and Request to Extend Exclusive Negotiating Period until June 30, 2022

Jeff Krump, Solid Waste Program Manager, provided an update on the current status of negotiations with Waste Management of Alameda County (WMAC). Mr. Krump recommended the extension of the Solid Waste Franchise Agreement between Hayward and WMAC for 12 months until March 1, 2023, and the extension of the authorization for exclusive negotiations with WMAC until June 30, 2022.

All committee members expressed their support for both recommendations. Council Member Zermeño inquired if the Hayward Unified School District (HUSD) had a contract with Republic and Director Ameri confirmed that this was correct. Mayor Halliday suggested bringing up the topic of a possible combined City of Hayward and HUSD contract with WMAC at the next Hayward Local Agencies Committee (HLAC) meeting.

Council Member Márquez recommended that staff promote the bulky item pick-up service in The Stack Newsletter.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Information and Discussion on New California Recycling and Reuse Legislation

Carolyn Weisman, Climate Corps Fellow, gave a presentation on the new California recycling and reuse bills: SB 343, AB 881, AB 1201, AB 962, and AB 1276.

All committee members thanked staff for the presentation and expressed their excitement to see the new measures come online. Council Member Márquez recommended that staff promote the information in The Leaflet and The Stack Newsletters.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

5. Proposed 2022 Agenda Planning Calendar: Review and Comments

Erik Pearson, Environmental Services Manager, shared the proposed 2022 agenda planning calendar with the Committee.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFERRALS:

Mr. Pearson announced that for the Climate Action Plan update that is being developed in conjunction with the Housing Element, posters were set up in the City Hall rotunda and the Hayward Library lobby to introduce the project to the community and to create exposure.

He also announced that on January 18th staff will be bringing a resolution to the City Council regarding net energy metering to seek a formal position from the Council. Staff will be recommending that the Council oppose the proposed decision and to support a more equitable policy framework.

Mr. Pearson also announced that the City of Hayward made the CDP A-list, being recognized for our sustainability efforts.

Director Ameri announced that the San Francisco Regional Water System has stated that they are possibly looking into a water rate increase of between 13% - 25%. If this were to be approved, the City of Hayward would be looking at a rate increase of between 9% - 15+% in order for the City to pay San Francisco for the additional whole cost of purchasing the water.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:51 p.m.

Attendance	MEETINGS			
	Present 01/10/22 Meeting	Present to Date This Fiscal Year	Excused to Date This Fiscal Year	Absent to Date This Fiscal Year
Elisa Márquez	✓	3	0	1
Barbara Halliday	✓	4	0	0
Francisco Zermeño	✓	4	0	0