



Clean and Green Commission Meeting Notes
City Hall, 2A Conference Room
August 14, 2025

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Milleman

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance led by

III. AB 2449 Teleconference Notifications and Consideration: None

IV. Roll Call

City Council & Staff: Todd Rullman, Director Maintenance Services; Armando Quintero Streets Maintenance Manager; Elizabeth Scott, Senior Secretary; Victoria Sir, Administrative Clerk II

Commission Members Present: Blytha Bowers, Celia Ching Chung; Gwen Dossey; Tom Ferreira; Sergey Melnikov; Melissa Milleman; Shingo Nagae; Debra Patton; George Villamil

Commission Members Absent: Sandra Frost, Chand Siramdas

Commission Members Present After Rol Call: None

Youth Commission Members: None

Public Attendees: None

V. Public Comments: There were no Public Comments

VI. Presentations: There were no presentations

VII. Action Items: The Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2025: It was motioned/seconded by Commissioners Dossey and Ferreira and passed by majority vote, to approve the meeting minutes from June 26, 2025. (9:0:0:2)

Clean and Green Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule: Staff reviewed the staff recommended 2026 calendar.

There were no public comments.

Commissioners discussed scheduling conflicts and alternatives.

It was motioned/seconded by Commissioner Dossey and Melnikov and passed by majority vote to adopt the 2026 Meeting and Events Calendar with the following changes: forgo the June cleanup, replace it with the All-America Festival on June 27, 2026; move the date of the August CGC meeting up one week to August 13, 2026, to avoid the conflict with the Downtown Street Party on August 20, 2026 (the cleanup event will remain the 4th Saturday on August 22, 2026); move the October cleanup event up one week from October 24, 2026 to October 17, 2026 to avoid the conflict with the Annual Trunk or Treat Event, the October meeting will also be moved up one week to October 15, 2026 to coincide with the October 17th cleanup; and add a stand-alone commissioner only planting event in September date to be decided.. (9:0:0:2)

VIII. Informational Items:

Hayward Youth Commission Updates: None

Financial Report: The Financial report was reviewed in the packet. There were no public or Commissioner comments or questions.

Attendance Report: The Attendance report was reviewed. There were no public or Commissioner comments or questions.

Subcommittee Reports/ Updates:

Policy Subcommittee: Commissioner Bowers provided the following update: the subcommittee has met four times; meetings are the 2nd Friday monthly; and the subcommittee is working on a "Statement of Commitment" addressing illegal dumping. Ms. Bowers read the draft statement out loud and talked about health risks connected to illegal dumping, such as exposure to toxic substances, injuries, mental health issues, violence and crime, environmental impacts, contamination of our waterways, and air pollution. The subcommittee worked with staff to identify two illegal dumping hot spots, which the subcommittee plans to focus on.

Outreach Subcommittee: There were no updates.

Events Subcommittee: There were no updates.

Adopt a Block: There were no updates.

There were no public comments.

IX. Clean and Green Committee Cleanup Events (Committee Member Attendance Required):

Debrief 6/28/25 Cleanup: Commissioner Bowers remarked that the event was successful, although the staging site was challenging due to nearby lanes of traffic and suggested across the street would be better. Chair Milleman added that nearby residents were confused, thinking they could bring their household trash and debris to drop off at the cleanup event. Commissioners were reminded that they should inform and educate community members about resources

available to them such as the Disposal Days Events, Waste Management Bulky Pickups, or to City Hall to pick up a Self-Haul Voucher.

8/23/25 Clean Up Event: Director Rullman reported there are nine volunteers registered for the cleanup event, twenty-three Adopt-a-Block participants registered to attend the August 19th Council Meeting in support of the Adopt-a-Day Proclamation and five Adopt-a-Block groups committed to cleaning their blocks on August 23rd in recognition of our first Annual Adopt-a-Block Day.

10/18/25 Clean Up Event: This item was not discussed.

There were no public comments.

X. Community Events & Activities Committee Member Volunteer Attendance & Makeup Opportunities:

8/21/25 Downtown Street Party: Chair Milleman talked about logistics. Staff will send the shift assignments as a reminder.

9/21/25 Hayward Executive Airport Open House: Chair Milleman talked about how busy this event gets, and that all commissioners should plan on attending.

12/2/25 Beautiful Yard contest Awards & Recognition: Vice Chair Melnikov reported he has received about twenty nominations that will be submitted to staff. Commissioners talked about extending the contest to include HOA's, businesses, and multi-unit dwellings.

There were no public comments.

XI. Announcements/Updates:

Council Member Updates: Council Member Andrews said the Downtown Action Plan including pressure washing, and decorative lighting is complete. She announced the City of Hayward and Bay Area Community Services (BACS) will hold a community meeting on Saturday, August 16th from 2pm to 3pm to provide information about the planned transformation of the former St. Regis Retirement Center into a housing, treatment, and care campus. She mentioned that the new monument sign is nearing completion, the next Disposal Day event is in October, and that there are about twenty-three applicants for the Clean and Green Commission, interviews are tentatively scheduled for August 26th.

Staff Update: Director Rullman congratulated Armando Quintero on his promotion to Streets Maintenance Manager.

Mr. Quintero reported that he is researching ideas and opportunities to use decorative wraps on the big belly garbage cans in the downtown area.

Chair Updates: There were no Chair updates.

XII. Future Agenda Action Items: This item was not discussed.

Adjournment: Chair Milleman adjourned the meeting at 8:23pm.