

CITY COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Hybrid Meeting
September 11, 2023
5:30 p.m.
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Council Member Julie Roche.

ROLL CALL:

Members:

Present

- Julie Roche, City Council Member/CSC Chair
- Angela Andrews, City Council Member
- Francisco Zermeño, City Council Member

Staff:

- Alex Ameri, Director of Public Works
- Dustin Claussen, Assistant City Manager
- Makenna Colucci, Sustainability & Climate Action Fellow
- Nicole Gucky, Senior Sustainability Specialist
- Sharon Hu, Management Analyst
- Linda Ko, Senior Secretary (Meeting Recorder)
- Trang Nguyen, Management Analyst
- Erik Pearson, Environmental Services Manager
- Elise Pierce, Recycling Outreach Fellow

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gabe Johnson provided information on his products and services through Syserco Energy Solutions.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Council Sustainability Committee (CSC) Meeting Held on June 26, 2023

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

2. Single-Use Disposable Food Ware Ordinance – Information and Discussion

Jeff Krump, Solid Waste Program Manager, provided a report on the potential implementation of a Single-Use Disposable Food Ware Ordinance in Hayward.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Committee Comments

Council Member Andrews asked if staff could look into what the schools in Hayward are doing regarding single-use disposable food ware. Mr. Krump stated that the school districts

are out of Hayward's regulatory jurisdiction but that staff would include them in the research and outreach efforts. Council Member Andrews also asked staff if it would be possible to shorten the twelve-month implementation deadline after adoption, possibly to six months, for City facilities. Staff responded that they would look into this.

Council Member Zermeño requested further education for restaurants regarding not handing out straws and condiment packets to customers unless requested. Council Member Zermeño also suggested writing a letter of support to a regional entity for reducing the production of condiment packets.

Council Member Roche suggested looking into grants for dishwashers for small businesses.

3. 2021 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory

Nicole Grucky, Senior Sustainability Specialist, presented a report on the 2021 greenhouse gas emissions inventory and compared it to the previous seven inventories.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Committee Comments

Council Member Zermeño asked staff if Hayward was responsible for transportation emissions from cars driving through the city. Ms. Grucky stated that the current data collection includes trips that start or end within the City's boundaries or trips that are taken completely within the City, and excludes trips that pass through the City's boundaries.

Council Member Andrews thanked staff for the report and asked about a possible city-sponsored trolley or shuttle. Director Alex Ameri stated that this may be possible, but costly and suggested other models such as an on-call option. He stated that staff would research how other cities might be providing similar services and how they were funding them.

Council Member Roche asked staff to follow up with East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) regarding providing cleaner energy to customers. She also suggested a possible partnership with AC Transit to create a shuttle service to the BART stations in Hayward.

4. Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Water Customer Portal – Information and Discussion

Sharon Hu, Management Analyst, provided a presentation that summarized the first year of city-wide implementation of the AMI water customer portal and also provided a video demonstration highlighting the features of the online customer portal.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Committee Comments

All Committee Members thanked staff for the presentation and expressed their enthusiasm about the updated features in the AMI water customer portal.

Council Member Roche suggested further outreach by including a link in The Stack.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

5. Proposed 2023/2024 Agenda Planning Calendar: Review and Comment

Mr. Pearson shared the proposed 2023/2024 agenda planning calendar with the Committee.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Committee Comments

Council Member Andrews stated that she would like to see an item that looks into the current Cal State East Bay shuttle and compare it to current shuttle options in Palo Alto, Walnut Creek and Emeryville.

Council Member Zermeño thanked staff for including the Tree Canopy Coverage Assessment report in a future meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFERRALS:

Ms. Grucky provided a new cigarette butt receptacle design proposal for the pilot program.

Council Member Zermeño requested to change the CSC meeting start time to 5 p.m. going forward.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:10 p.m.

Attendance	MEETINGS			
	Present 9/11/23 Meeting	Present to Date This Year	Excused to Date This Year	Absent to Date This Year
Julie Roche	✓	4	0	0
Angela Andrews	✓	4	0	0
Francisco Zermeño	✓	3	0	0