

CITY COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
Hayward City Hall – Conference Room 2A  
777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541-5007  
March 11, 2019  
4:30 p.m. – 6:18 p.m.  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair Mendall.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Members:**

- Al Mendall, City Council Member/CSC Chair
- Elisa Márquez, City Council Member
- Francisco Zermeño, City Council Member

**Staff:**

- Alex Ameri, Interim Director of Public Works
- Carol Lee, Management Analyst I
- Crissy Mello, Senior Secretary
- Elisa Wilfong, WPSC Administrator
- Erik Pearson, Environmental Services Manager
- Jan Lee, Water Resources Manager
- Jeff Krump, Solid Waste Program Manager
- Justin Temores, Fleet Maintenance Manager
- Kait Byrne, Management Analyst I
- Maria Hurtado, Assistant City Manager
- Nicole Grucky, Sustainability Specialist
- Todd Rullman, Maintenance Services Director

**Others:**

- Jane Kelly, KyotoUSA
- Stacy Lee, Hayward Resident, County Sustainability Office
- Tom Kelly, KyotoUSA, Executive Director

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**1. Approval of Corrected Minutes of Council Sustainability Meeting on November 26, 2019**

The item was moved by Council Member Márquez, seconded by Council Member Zermeño, and approved unanimously to approve the minutes of the Council Sustainability Committee meeting of November 26, 2019.

## **2. Approval of Minutes of Council Sustainability Meeting January 14, 2019**

The item was moved by Council Member Zermeño, seconded by Council Member Márquez, and approved unanimously to approve the minutes of the Council Sustainability Committee meeting of January 14, 2019 with the correction of one typo on page three.

## **3. Climate Mayors Electric Vehicle Purchasing Collaborative**

Chair Mendall introduced the item, and Environmental Services Manager, Erik Pearson presented the report.

Mr. Pearson explained the City's goal to replace 50 of the vehicles in its fleet with electric vehicles. Council Member Zermeño asked how difficult it would be to convert larger City trucks to electric to which Maintenance Services Director, Todd Rullman, replied that larger trucks would be more difficult and costly than those vehicles used as passenger vehicles. Mr. Rullman also touched on the battery life and replacement costs for these types of vehicles.

Council Member Márquez asked that staff clarify which fund would purchase these vehicles. Mr. Rullman responded that the funds are identified in the CIP. The Committee asked that staff continue to look into electric vehicles and present a resolution to the City Council for adoption.

The item was moved by Council Member Zermeño and passed unanimously.

## **4. Update on City's Renewable Diesel Use in Diesel Vehicle Fleet Pilot**

Director Ameri introduced the item, and Management Analyst, Kait Byrne, presented the report.

Miss Byrne stated that the City has been conducting a trial at Fire Station 1 and has received good results, which may lead to the use of renewable diesel at all ten City fueling stations, assuming no issues are revealed over the remainder of the trial.

Council Member Zermeño asked about modifications needed to the fuel stations. Mr. Temores stated it is a drop in replacement and no modifications would be needed with either the fuel pumps or vehicles. Mr. Temores also noted the additional benefits of transitioning to renewable diesel such as less noise and decreased maintenance costs.

Chair Mendall requested that staff present its findings to neighboring cities and prepare a press release should Hayward implement the program.

## **5. PCBs Management for Demolition Projects**

Environmental Services Manager, Erik Pearson introduced the item and Water Pollution Source Control Administrator, Elisa Wilfong, presented the report.

Ms. Wilfong gave a brief background of PCBs and their use in construction prior to its ban in 1979. She explained the environmental impacts of demolishing older buildings and recommended an ordinance similar to the Bay Area Stormwater Management Agencies Association (BASMAA) model be added to the City's municipal code.

Chair Mendall asked if the City already had an ordinance in place. Ms. Wilfong stated this ordinance would be added to the current solid waste ordinance. Director Ameri added that this would be one ordinance instead of two.

Council Member Márquez asked how the City would ensure compliance. Ms. Wilfong stated that it would be the responsibility of the applicant to address the regulations for City approval of the demolition permit. Council Member Zermeño asked about the fees associated to the ordinance to which Ms. Wilfong replied that the Buildings Division didn't feel a fee would be necessary, and staff would re-visit the ordinance should the implementation become too costly.

Council Member Zermeño motioned the item, and it was passed unanimously to move forward in drafting an ordinance to present to City Council for implementation by July 1, 2019.

## **6. Draft Ordinance for the Reduction of Single-Use Food Service Ware**

Solid Waste Program Manager, Jeff Krump, presented the report and noted that StopWaste had reviewed the City's ordinance and suggested that the City amend its polystyrene ordinance as has been done by other jurisdictions.

Council Member Márquez inquired how this ordinance would effect food delivery services and advised staff to connect with the Chamber of Commerce or businesses to see if the companies have the infrastructure to add a utensil request option to their mobile application. Council Member Zermeño asked why the ordinance would not include drive-thru's. Mr. Krump responded that patrons who use drive-thru's are expected to eat in their vehicles and have a need for food ware accessory items.

Chair Mendall advised staff to refer to the Berkeley model on banning single-use plastics and would like to have a set date for the ban to take effect. Council Member Márquez added that this item be a work session. Council Member Zermeño commented that he would like to see a phased schedule for this ordinance.

Council Member Zermeño asked if the City could ban the sale of single-use food ware. Director Ameri explained that City Council does not want to restrict businesses from selling to outside city businesses. Chair Mendall motioned that he would like to see a complete ban by January 1, 2021 that was seconded by Márquez and passed unanimously.

## **7. Participation in the 8th Annual Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation**

Environmental Services Manager, Erik Pearson introduced the item and Management Analyst, Kait Byrne presented the report.

Miss Byrne explained that pledges from the challenge will be divided into four categories with prizes awarded to the winning communities. The City would promote the challenge by use of social media and the City's newsletter. Should the Committee agree to participate, staff would prepare a statement of support for Mayor Halliday.

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

## **8. East Bay Community Energy Update**

Director Ameri introduced and co-presented the report with Environmental Services Manager, Erik Pearson.

Mr. Pearson presented the program's opt-out rates and stated that the City is working closely with EBCE on a local building Reach Code which would require or encourage new construction to be all-electric and possibly electronic vehicle charging infrastructure.

Tom Kelly, KyotoUSA, Executive Director, and Jane Kelly, KyotoUSA, expressed their gratitude towards the City for choosing Brilliant 100 as the default. Mrs. Kelly stated that no other cities organized as efficiently and quickly as the City of Hayward. Mr. Kelly encouraged the City to consider choosing Renewable 100 as the default and commented that people who default to 100% renewable energy tend to stay in it.

Council Member Márquez asked that staff hold an informational meeting in both English and Spanish to explain the EBCE program billing to residents. Chair Mendall also added that he would like staff to promote to the community regarding EBCE's rates being identical to those of PG&E.

## **9. Proposed 2019 Agenda Planning Calendar**

Director Ameri suggested that the Green New Deal (GND) and its provisions be brought into discussion. Council Member Zermeño requested staff to present the details of the GND without its opponents' commentary.

Council Member Zermeño asked to see a City Tree Inventory item scheduled that includes an urban forest component.

Council Member Zermeño requested a discussion exploring the Country's options for recycling their own recyclables in place of outsourcing it overseas.

Chair Mendall requested staff to add the Recycled Water Master Plan to either the Council Infrastructure Committee or the Sustainability Committee. He also requested a Shoreline Master Plan update.

Mr. Pearson relayed a community member's request for a ban on gas powered leaf blowers and that he may be looking into ordinances adopted by other cities for guidance. Director Ameri commented that enforcement staff may not be able to respond to these complaints due to prioritization of more pressing matters.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFERRALS:**

Director Ameri announced that the Annual Poster and Essay Contest has been moved closer to Earth Day.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 6:18 p.m.

**MEETINGS**

Attendance	Present 03/11/19 Meeting	Present to Date This Fiscal Year	Excused to Date This Fiscal Year	Absent to Date This Fiscal Year
Elisa Márquez	✓	5	0	0
Al Mendall*	✓	5	0	0
Francisco Zermeño	✓	5	0	0