



CITY OF MILPITAS

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA

6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 19, 2025
1ST Floor Committee Conference Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Seating of Alternates
5. Approval of Agenda: March 19, 2025
6. Approval of Meeting Minutes: February 19, 2025

7. Public Forum

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must state their name (address is optional) for the record, and limit their remarks to three minutes or less. For items not listed on the agenda, no response is required of City staff or Commissioners. However, Commissioners may ask staff to place the item on a future meeting agenda.

8. Announcements

9. Business Items

- a. **Climate Film and Discussion Event** – *Discuss final film event logistics including day of final promotions push, assignments, and timing. Event will be held on Sunday, March 23rd in Milpitas Library Auditorium from 1PM – 5PM.*

Recommendation: Discuss as appropriate.

- b. **Earth Day Planning for Commission Activity** – *Receive an update on planning efforts for Earth Day Event. Milpitas Earth Day will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2025 at Murphy Park. Staff will provide an update on the resource fair and exhibitors. Commission should discuss what activity host at the Commission table and assignments.*

Recommendation: Discuss as appropriate.

- c. **Go Electric Milpitas Program Update** – *Receive an update on the Go Electric Milpitas Incentive Program and provide input to staff on promotions.*

Recommendation: Discuss as appropriate.

10. City Liaison Reports

- Council Liaison Report
- City Staff Report

11. Adjournment

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CALL TO ORDER	Chair Mbuga called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm. Deputy Director Marshall called the roll.
ROLL CALL	PRESENT: Chair Mbuga; Commissioners Bush, Parikh, and Sankaran; Student Commissioner Tony; Deputy PW Director Marshall; Sustainability Fellow Hu; Staff Vergara. ABSENT: Commissioner Acosta, Batilo; Councilmember Chua.
PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE	Chair Mbuga led the pledge of allegiance.
ALTERNATE SEATING	No alternates were seated.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Motion/Second: Parikh/Bush Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion to approve the minutes for January 29, 2025. Motion/Second: Parikh/Sankaran Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0
PUBLIC FORUM	None.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Chair Mbuga reminded the Commissioners to fill out and submit Form 700, which is due April 1.
BUSINESS ITEMS	a. 2025 Chair and Vice Chair Selection The Commissioners discussed selection of the Chair and Vice chairperson and asked clarifying questions about associated duties. Motion to elect Frank Bush as Chair of the Commission. Motion/Second: Mbuga/Parikh Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion to elect Anuradha Sankaran as Vice Chair of the Commission. Motion/Second: Bush/Parikh Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 b. Climate Film and Discussion Event The Commission continued discussing logistics for hosting the film screening event. Commissioners shared responses to their outreach efforts and provided updates on their assigned action items. Deputy PW Director Marshall confirmed

that Deputy Fire Chief Zamora has agreed to attend the event and will speak about his experience with fighting wildfires.

The Commission will continue promoting the event and provide final updates at the next meeting.

c. Update on Earth Day

Deputy PW Director Marshall confirmed that the 2025 Earth Day event will be held at Murphy Park on Saturday, April 12 from 10:00-12:00 pm. Staff Vergara and Sustainability Fellow Hu shared updates about planned activities and vendors that have agreed to attend the event.

The Commissioners confirmed that they would like to set up a table at the event to do an Advanced Power Strip demonstration and giveaway.

d. Go Electric Milpitas Program Update

Deputy PW Director Marshall provided an update on the program and that staff are working on finalizing the agreement with SVCE for implementation of the add-on rebates. City Council will be considering the agreement and accepting the grant award on March 18th. Staff are working with Congressman Khanna's Office to hold a Go Electric Milpitas kick-off event at City Hall, tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 21 at 10 am.

The Commissioners were invited to attend the event. Commissioners Sankaran and Bush volunteered to attend the event.

e. Non-plastic Foodware and Businesses Education and Survey

The Commission continued discussing plans to educate local businesses about switching to non-plastic foodware. Commissioners agreed to review the draft cover letter that will be sent to businesses along with a survey to collect information on current business practices.

Commissioners asked clarifying questions about which businesses will be contacted, how contact information will be collected, and how the survey will be distributed. Deputy PW Director Marshall will reach out to the City's Economic Development team has business contacts and may be able to assist with sending out the survey and PW staff may also know which facilities should be contacted.

**COUNCIL LIAISON
REPORT**

None.

STAFF REPORT

Staff Vergara announced that the National River Cleanup Day 2025 creek cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 17 from 9:00-12:00 pm. A confirmed cleanup site and registration information will be shared with Commissioners at a future meeting.

Sustainability Fellow Hu announced that she will be promoting electrification rebates at the City's Holi Festival on Saturday, March 8, and is seeking volunteers.

Deputy PW Director Marshall reminded the Commissioners to RSVP and attend the Annual Commissioners Recognition Celebration on Thursday, April 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Community Center Auditorium.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mbuga adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.