



CITY OF MILPITAS

Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission

MEETING MINUTES

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

City Hall 1st Floor Committee Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER	Chair Sexton called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Staff Marshall called the roll.
ROLL CALL	PRESENT: Commissioners Hogg, Chair Sexton, and Vice Chair Lingle; Alternate Commissioners Coronel and Mbuga; Student Commissioner Tony; Councilmember Chua; Deputy PW Director Marshall; Chief Building Official Tott ABSENT: Commissioners Acosta, Salian, Martinez, and Venkataramana
PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE	Chair Sexton led the pledge of allegiance.
ALTERNATE SEATING	Alternate Commissioners Coronel and Mbuga were seated.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Motion to approve the agenda for October 19, 2022 as submitted Motion/Second: Mbuga/Lingle Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 5 NOES: 0
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion to approve the minutes for September 21, 2022 Motion/Second: Coronel/Lingle Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 5 NOES: 0
PUBLIC FORUM	None.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Chair Sexton announced that the MSI/City Compost Giveaway Event is this coming Saturday, October 22, 2022 starting at 7AM at KLA parking lot off of McCarthy Blvd.
BUSINESS ITEMS	a. 2022 Building Reach Code Update Chief Building Official Bill Tott provided an update on the City's Reach Code Efforts that would require all-electric new construction and increase EV charging station requirements for new development. The first reading of proposed Reach Code was conducted at the City Council meeting on October 18, 2022 with the Second Reading and Proposed adoption scheduled for December 6, 2022. Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Alternate Commissioner Mbuga requested information on the building turn-over rate in Milpitas. Chair Sexton shared that there are many incentives available to support electrification including Rewiring America and The Switch is On – each of these sites allows users to search for available incentives based on zip code. Commissioner Lingle asked about potential reach codes for plumbing to encourage greywater and water re-use systems.

b. Carbon Neutral Home Incentive Program

Deputy Public Works Director Marshall provided an overview on the City's proposed Carbon Neutral Home Incentive Program which was submitted to Congressman Ro Khanna's office for funding through the federal Community Project funding process and which as now been included in the proposal federal budget. Funding is pending congressional approval of the 2023 federal budget.

The City request \$3M in funding to help put the cost of single-family home electrification projects within the reach of everyday Milpitas homeowners by complementing the financial incentives offered by Silicon Valley Clean Energy by increasing the financial incentive by up to \$3,000. This will significantly drive down the costs of retrofit and create greater access to carbon neutral homes for about 1,000 Milpitas single-family homeowners.

Commissioners ask questions and provided feedback including suggestions that the program target holder homes as well as low- and mid-income homes. Excited to strive to have an all-electric home on every block!

LIAISON REPORT

Councilmember Chua shared information about the Pumpkins in the Park event this Saturday, Oct 22nd and that City Council approved the Youth Scholarship Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sexton adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.