

MINUTES

CITY OF MILPITAS ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular meeting of the Energy & Environmental Sustainability Commission
Meeting Date: January 16, 2019
Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Place: Milpitas City Hall, Commission Meeting Room

I. ROLL Staff called the Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission to order at 6:05 p.m. Commissioners Kong, Martinez, Salian, Sexton, Shreve, and staff members Marshall, Phagan, and Stobbe were present. Public Works Director Tony Ndah and Engineering Director Steve Erickson were also present.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Conducted.

III. SEATING OF ALTERNATES
No alternates were seated.

IV. MINUTES
Motion to approve minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting.
M/S: Sexton/Kong Ayes: All

V. PUBLIC FORUM
No comments from the public.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS
Commissioner Sexton announced that Silicon Valley Clean Energy/Acterra were scheduling energy clinics in Milpitas for March 2 at Milpitas Public Library and March 27 at the Milpitas Senior Center.

Council approved Commissioner Kong as the community representative to the South Bay Odor Stakeholders Group during the January 15, 2019 Council Meeting.

VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT
No report.

VIII. AGENDA
Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.
M/S: Kong/Sexton Ayes: All

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Straw Ban Implementation

Staff Stobbe presented an oral report on the State's Straw Ban Implementation. She clarified that the ban is technically a "straws upon request" law limited to full service restaurants, not including fast food establishments. The law does not require substitutes to plastic only straws, rather, only that patrons do not receive a straw without requesting it first. Compliance falls under Santa Clara County's Environmental Health Department, which will now include a compliance check during

health inspections of restaurants. The County is still updating their website for the compliance portion and is working on an outreach program. The “Straw Upon Request” law places enforcement responsibility with the State Public Health Officer, who then delegates to the county level for enforcement.

Commissioner Sexton asked if there are cities enacting more stringent bans. Staff member Stobbe stated that Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, and San Francisco have more stringent ordinances banning plastic straws. Other cities statewide also include bans on plastic straws as part of a ban on “plastic disposables” products.

The Commission requested clarification regarding plans for outreach and reporting. Staff member Stobbe stated that the County website, once fully updated, will have public outreach information and complaint reporting. Commissioners expressed interest in the City conducting additional outreach to encourage sustainability habits, similar to Fremont’s “Skip the Straw” campaign.

Per the Commission Work Plan, Staff member Stobbe will provide an update on straw ban implementation at the June meeting.

2. Climate Action Plan

Staff Marshall presented a PowerPoint that provide the Commission with an overview of the City’s Climate Action Plan (CAP) and general implementation progress. Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Staff Marshall shared that share will be working on updating the community greenhouse gas emissions inventory and developing options for updating the CAP.

X. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners requested an update on how to share information on commission-related issues with the public.

XII. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for February 20, 2019 at 6 PM.

The meeting of January 16, 2019 concluded at 7:30 PM.

M/S: Sexton/Salian

Ayes: All