

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF LA MESA
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
6:00 PM, CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
8130 ALLISON AVENUE, LA MESA, CA 91942**

MINUTES
February 18, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER (6:00 p.m.)
2. ROLL CALL (X indicates present)

Jim Stone, Chair	X
Stephen Guiland, Vice Chair	X
Robin Rivet	X
Maria Hesse	X
Stephen Grooms	X
Andrea Beth Damsky	X
Ashley Simmons	X
Maggie Eggers (EDCO)	X
Joe Garuba (Helix Water District)	
Vacant (La Mesa-Spring Valley School District)	
Vacant (Helix Charter High School)	
Vacant (SDG&E)	

Others present: Lyn Dedmon, Senior Management Analyst; Jenny Lybeck, Sustainability Analyst

Public: Mark Gracyk, Helix Water District; Trey McDonald, University of San Diego

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28, 2019
Action: Motion to approve minutes with changes
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Guiland, Rivet, Hesse, Grooms, Damsky, Simmons
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

5. CITY STAFF UPDATE

Jenny Lybeck announced that the Climate Action Plan Implementation Plan is going to the City Council on February 26 and that the Community Choice Aggregation Feasibility Study RFP award was going to the Chula Vista City Council for award on February 19.

6. LA MESA COMMUNITY TREES (URBAN FORESTRY)

Robin Rivet presented her draft recommendations to the City Council including a slideshow presentation. The Commission will bring the item back at the next meeting with a focus on developing 3-5 specific recommendations.

7. CHEMICAL USE SUBCOMMITTEE

Maria Hesse stated that she still needs to complete the presentation and report and asked for assistance from other Commissioners. Robin Rivet and Stephen Guiland will work with her.

8. CLIMATE ACTION PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE

Jenny Lybeck announced that the City has been invited to submit a detailed proposal for a \$500,000 urban forestry grant from CAL FIRE and presented a draft letter of support from the Commission to the granting agency.

Action: Motion to approve letter with edits to be made by Chair
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Guiland, Rivet, Hesse, Grooms, Damsky, Simmons
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

Stephen Guiland stated that the City of San Diego prepared a memo that detailed the next steps of launching a Community Choice Aggregation program and Jenny said that she would forward it to the Commission.

9. COMMUNITY GARDEN SUBCOMMITTEE

No discussion.

10. GREEN/FOOD WASTE RECOVERY SUBCOMMITTEE

The Commission requested that EDCO provide a presentation at the April meeting to cover local recycling programs, global markets and food waste diversion.

Action: Motion to form a Green/Food Waste Recovery Subcommittee with Stephen Grooms, Ashley Simmons and Maggie Eggers
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Guiland, Rivet, Hesse, Grooms, Damsky, Simmons
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

11. LA MESA PARK & RECREATION FOUNDATION EARTH/ARBOR DAY EVENT – APRIL 27

Draft flyers and booth registration forms were presented. The Commission will determine the staffing of their booth at the next meeting.

12. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Stephen Guiland will not be available to attend the next meeting.
Robin Rivet attended a good meeting on health and wellness at the City of Encinitas.
Maria Hesse stated that the next issue of Edible San Diego would feature food waste reduction.
Andrea Beth thanked Robin for the good presentation on urban forestry.
Stephen Grooms suggested that the presentation be included with the letter to the City Council.

13. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Prepared by:

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