



Environment & Climate Commission

ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE COMMISSION MINUTES Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Tregub, Igor	Mayor	Mayor
Ranney, Sarah	Kesarwani	District 1
Hedlund, Marc	Taplin	District 2
McGuire, Brianna	Bartlett	District 3
Tahara, Daniel	Harrison	District 4
Allen, Shannon	Hahn	District 5
Guliasi, Les	Wengraf	District 6
Lunaparra, Cecilia	Robinson	District 7
Gould, Ben	Humbert	District 8

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Billi Romain at 6:01 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Ranney, Lunaparra, Hedlund, McGuire, Tahara, Allen, Guliasi, Gould

Commissioner Leave of Absence: Tregub

Commissioner Absent: None

Staff: Billi Romain, Rebecca Milliken

2. Public Comments and Announcements:

0 member(s) of the Public

0 comment(s)

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion/second to approve the March 29, 2023 Minutes (Allen, Tahara). The motion carried 7-0-1-1; Ayes: Ranney, Hedlund, McGuire, Tahara, Allen, Guliasi, Gould. Noes: None.

Abstain: Lunaparra. None. Absent: Tregub

4. Agenda Check

5. Update from Chair

6. Update from Staff

a. Impact of court decision on City Gas Prohibition

b. Leave of Absence

c. Just Transition RFP

d. BESO upgrade requirement

e. Funding update

i. UC Berkeley's Chancellor's Community Partnership Fund: \$25K awarded to both the Ecology Center and Waterside Workshops to enhance Climate Equity Pilot programs

ii. Resilient Community Impact Funds: \$50K awarded to Northern California Land Trust (NCLT) to enhance Climate Equity Pilot funds to install Harvest Thermal heat pump systems in 8-unit NCLT building

- f. Building electrification outreach:
 - i. May 20, 10AM – 12:30PM, *3rd Annual Virtual East Bay Green Home Tour*:
<https://www.eastbaygreenhome.com/>

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 7. Presentation & Discussion: Community building electrification outreach (Rebecca Milliken, Ted Obbard, Nick Despota)
- 8. Reports from Commission Liaisons
 - a. Planning Commission (Gould)
 - b. Transportation and Infrastructure (McGuire)
 - c. Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Commission (Lunaparra)
 - d. Zero Waste Commission (Ranney)
 - e. Disaster and Fire Safety Commission (Guliasi)
 - f. Housing Advisory Commission (Hedlund)

Motion/second to authorize Commissioner Guliasi to contact the Disaster and Fire Safety Commission (Gould, Allen). The motion carried 8-0-0-1; Ayes: Ranney, Hedlund, McGuire, Tahara, Allen, Guliasi, Lunaparra, Gould. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Tregub

- 9. Workplan Subcommittee Updates
 - a. Transportation Public Space Reallocation Subcommittee (Hedlund, McGuire, Lunaparra, Gould)
 - b. Native Plants and Pesticide Reduction Subcommittee (Ranney, McGuire, Allen)
 - c. Electrification Subcommittee (Tregub, Hedlund, Tahara, Guliasi)
- 10. Items for Future Agenda
 - Lead paint (May)
 - BESO development of upgrade requirement (June)

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 11. Communications
- 12. Announcements from Commissioners

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second to adjourn at 7:30 pm (Guliasi, Hedlund)

Minutes Approved:
/S/ Billi Romain, Berkeley Energy Commission Secretary