City of El Segundo

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, February 5, 2021, 12:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER
   The meeting was called to order at 12:03 pm, held virtually via Zoom.

2. ROLL CALL

   The following Committee Members were present:
   - Tracey Miller-Zarneke, Resident, Local Business, Committee Chair
   - Corrie Zupo, Resident, Committee Vice-Chair
   - Kevin Maggay, Local Business, Member
   - Rachel McPherson, Resident, Member
   - Sarah Brockhaus, Resident, Member

   The following Committee Members were not present:
   - 1 vacancy, El Segundo School District, Member
   - Caroline Hawks, Resident, Member

   The following City staff member(s) were present:
   - Elias Sassoon, City of El Segundo, Director, Public Works
   - Bill Whalen, Police Chief

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION
   None

4. REPORTS: Public Works
   a. Director Sassoon provided an update regarding joining California Green Business Network. This item is on 2/16/2021 City Council agenda.

b. Director Sassoon provided an update regarding Beekeeping Ordinance progress. This item is scheduled to go before the Planning Commission on 2/25/2021 and subsequently to the City Council on 3/16/2021.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

a. No Action regarding "Smoking Ban in Public Places and ROW was taken. After some discussion, it was decided that member Maggay and Director Sassoon would work together to further refine the presentation to the City Council regarding this item.
b. Motion was made by member Zupo to approve the presentation from California Green Business Network. Member McPherson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously
c. "Action Item" was added to the agenda: to support the City's initiatives by presenting the recommendation to City Council to apply for the California Green Business Program grant. Member Zupo made a motion to approve the item. Member Brockhaus seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. REPORTS: COMMITTEE MEMBERS

a. This item was discussed under 5a
b. No update
c. This item was discussed under 4a and 5b,c
d. No update
e. No update
f. The following new goals were discussed:

-Working voluntarily on Community Garden; Member Zupo will refresh conversation with Recreation & Parks employee Ryan Delgado to get this moving.

-Working with West Basin to provide residents with info regarding more energy efficient devices (irrigation system, sinks, commodes…etc.); Member McPherson will reach out to West Basin to discover programs that the Committee might help publicize.

-Making more Committee appearances at the Farmer's Market to stimulate conversation about environmental practices; will discuss further once pandemic conditions are lifted.

-Partnering with local food shelters regarding the distribution of locally grown surplus fruits; discussion included use of the El Segundo Farmstand Facebook page, CASE and Food Forward partnerships/promotion opportunities, including an update to any of these recommendations on the Committee Environmental Resources webpage.

-Working with community organizations to organize beach cleanups; group events will need to wait until post-pandemic, but promoting the concept of "everyone grab a bag do your part when you visit the beaches" could happen now.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approved Minutes for January 8, 2021 meeting. Member Zupo moved to approve; member Rachael McPherson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT:
Closing announcement: Next meeting will be held on March 5, 2021 at noon.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm.