

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, September 17th, 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
- Rachel McPherson, Resident, Member
- Sarah Brockhaus, Resident, Member
- Janet Miller, ESUSD representative, Member
- Caroline Hawks, Resident, Member

The following City staff were present:

- Elias Sassoon, City of El Segundo, Director of Public Works
- Jesus Diaz, City of El Segundo, Public Works

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Craig Cadwallader spoke regarding Solid Waste/Plastic Ban and other state/municipal progress in these ordinances. Also mentioned work with Smoking Bans in other cities and willingness to support City effort in drafting new ordinances.

4. REPORTS: Public Works

- a. Hyperion Incident Update- Director Sassoon provided an update stating that normal operation has resumed as of 8/31/2021. LA Sanitation has provided \$500k in reimbursements so far and hired additional employees to process the paperwork.
- b. AQMD update- Director Sassoon provided a summary informing committee that AQMD would not be installing any additional air quality monitoring system but would be willing to help Hyperion to find a 3rd party vendor for installation and maintenance of additional air monitoring system(s).
- c. Committee Vacancy Update- 7 preliminary interviews have been conducted by staff and Committee Chairs; 2 interviews remain. Then recommendation will be sent to City Council & final interviews and selections will be held by City Council
- d. Community Garden Expansion Update- Director Sassoon provided short summary stating committee needed to wait for result of survey before next steps are clear
- e. Smoking Ban Update- Director Sassoon indicated this item most likely would be presented to City Council with an ordinance to ban smoking in public areas sometime early next year.
- f. California Green Business Program- Received the grant. Director Sassoon is working with SBCCOG to execute an agreement to implement this program.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

None

6. REPORTS: COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- a. City Assessment of Environmental Risks (Tracey Miller-Zarneke and Corrie Zupo): Discussion was ensued regarding an Action Plan

- b. Community Garden Expansion Concept update (Corrie Zupo/Sarah Brockhaus): Elias suggested the use of Washington Park and the help from Eagle Scouts.
- c. Smoking Considerations Presentation (Tracey Miller-Zarneke): Elias stated earlier this would be presented to City Council early next year.
- d. Public Education Packet Opportunities (Caroline Hawks): no update
- e. Solid Waste Reduction/Elimination of Single-Use Plastics: considerations of next steps here will be taken after seeing what state finalizes.
- f. Water Conservation (Rachel McPherson): no update. Rachel requested a presentation regarding MS4 permit.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approved Minutes for June 11th, 2021 meeting. Member Corrie moved to approve; Member Rachel seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Closing announcement: Next meeting will be held on November 12th, 2021 at noon.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.