



**SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**City Hall Conference Room  
1000 San Pablo Avenue  
September 15, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cooper at 7:30 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Cooper, Kitahara, Lieberman, Price, Schrift, Smith Heimer, Yang

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3-1. Approve minutes from May, 2010 meeting (attached)**

Minutes approved unanimously.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

For persons desiring to address the Commission/Committee/Board on an item that is not on the agenda please note that each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Committee's ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

**5-1. Program update – grants, staffing, Albany Farmers Market, CaliforniaFIRST**

Almaguer provided a program update.

**5-2. Events update – 10/10/10 Albany Climate Protection Contest, Arts & Green Festival**

Almaguer announced 10/10/10 event. Cooper provided status on Arts & Green Festival to be held May 1.

**6. DISCUSSIONS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

**6-1. Advisory Bodies Study – receive update regarding proposed changes to Sustainability Committee**

The Committee discussed the findings and recommendations within the study. The Committee agreed that they would like to remain the Sustainability Committee, and not merge with SEJC, particularly to ensure the effectiveness of CAP implementation. The Committee will work to further engage the public regarding sustainability/CAP items including educational events, public study sessions, and other venues.

**6-2. Climate Action Plan implementation – funding, staff update & next steps, reports from subcommittees**

Almaguer provided an overview of the request from City Council that the Committee research funding opportunities for CAP implementation and provide information back to City Council in six months. This item will be discussed in detail over the next several Committee meetings.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(Commission/Committee/Board Member announcement of requests for future agenda items. No public comment will be taken on announcement of future agenda items).

**7-1. Select next meeting date & location**

The next meeting will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup> in the Conference Room at City Hall. Agenda items to include: CAP implementation – identify tasks for Committee assistance/lead, CAP implementation funding, and an Arts & Green Day update.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

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