

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Conference Room 1000 San Pablo Avenue October 19, 2011 – 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Cooper, Jennings, Lieberman, Schrift, Price, Wangmo

Members absent: Smith-Heimer

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3-1. Approve minutes from September 2011 meeting (attached)

Minutes unanimously approved.

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. Welcome Student Appointee Pasang Wangmo (Jr.)

The Committee welcomed Pasang.

6. REPORTS

6-1. CAP Implementation Update

Almaguer provided an update regarding current projects.

6-2. Golden Gates Field/LNBL Task Force Update

Cooper provided an update. Cooper has been appointed to the Task Force.

6-3. UC Village Project – summary of October 17, 2011 Council meeting

Almaguer provided a summary, noting the item has been continued until the November 21, 2011 Council meeting. Max Wei commented that there is an interest in requesting the consultant retained for the accessibility circulation include a larger scope and analyze accessibility by non vehicular traffic from all directions leading to the site. The Committee agreed with this request and moved that the consultant should consider extending analysis to include review of circulation from all directions to the site to allow adequate access for non-vehicular modes of transportation.

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

7-1. Review Subcommittee Roles and Composition – determine if new subcommittees should be developed The Committee discussed subcommittee roles, and will discuss further pending outcome of the recommendations to Council regarding the CAP funding proposal. The Committee agreed that an outreach/education subcommittee is of interest. Lieberman volunteered for the outreach/education subcommittee.

Jennings, Price, and Cooper are participating on the Green Building Ordinance update subcommittee with members of the Planning & Zoning Commission. Schrift is considering which subcommittee she prefers.

7-2. Arts & Green Festival – select members for event planning subcommittee

Wangmo volunteered to join this subcommittee.

7-3. Review monthly article for Albany Patch

The article was unanimously approved.

7-4. Attendance Policy Review

Cooper reviewed the attendance policy – those with 3 consecutive absences are subject to removal from the Committee.

8. 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).

8-1. Next meeting – November 16, 2011

Future agenda items include: review of farmers market, discussion of zero waste and existing diversion programs, update on UC Village project, Golden Gate Fields/LNBL update, and updates from subcommittees.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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