



**SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Avenue  
Wednesday, December 18, 2013 – 8:00p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cooper at 8:16pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Blanchard, Lieberman, Smith-Heimer, Uhrhammer, Wei, Yiu, Cooper

Members Absent: None.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Approve minutes from October 16, 2013 meeting**

Approved.

**B. Approve minutes from November 20, 2013 meeting**

Approved.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

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

**A. UC Mixed Use Development Project Update and Discussion of GHG Emissions Report**

Jeff Bond provided an update – The Planning & Zoning Commission has approved the Belmont Village project. The committee discussed the GHG emissions analysis and asked that the development team demonstrate the economics of the measures they chose and provide an analysis of the barriers to adding more PV. Staff will invite the development team to attend the January meeting.

**B. Marin Clean Energy CCA Update**

Claire Griffing provided an update – The MCE Board approved moving forward with a membership analysis for Albany at their December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting but will be reopening the discussion of governance for affiliate members.

**C. Arts and Green Festival Update**

Chair Cooper provided an update – The Arts Committee voted to be a part of the event and help with planning. Miles Williams of the Albany Arts Gallery is also helping plan the event.

**D. Schools Subcommittee Update and Discussion of Committee Role in Planning Process for AUSD Facilities**

Committee Member Blanchard provided an update – He has been attending steering committee meetings, where they have been discussing the replacement of Ocean View and Marin Elementary Schools. There is a short timeline for the planning process in order to access state funding. He asked if the committee could speak to the merits of new construction vs. repurposing/retrofitting buildings but committee members didn't feel they had enough information to make a recommendation at this time.

**E. Outreach Subcommittee Update and Discussion of Green Coalition Meeting Proposal**

The Committee discussed the Green Coalition meeting proposal and suggested edits.

**Motion:** Moved by Chair Cooper, seconded by Committee Member Blanchard to authorize the Outreach Subcommittee to complete the proposal with suggested edits and submit to Council for approval.

AYES: Blanchard, Lieberman, Smith-Heimer, Uhrhammer, Wei, Yiu, Cooper

NOES: None

Absent: None

**F. CAP Funding Update and Discussion and Possible Recommendation to Council Regarding the Proposed Utility User's Tax Ballot Measure**

The Committee discussed taking a proposal for a UUT to Council. Committee members will read through the previous proposal and attachments and continue the discussion at the next meeting.

**G. Discussion of Proposed Leaf Blower Ordinance**

Committee Member Uhrhammer will continue research on alternatives to leaf blowers.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Committee discussed future agenda items, including an update on the St. Mary's project, a discussion of their 2014 work plan and CAP funding, regular subcommittee updates, election of a new chair, and possibly a meeting with the new City Manager.

**A. Next regular meeting – January 15, 2014**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58pm.