CITY OF LONG BEACH SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, 4:00 PM

Daryl Supernaw, Commissioner Rick Berry, Commissioner Andrea White-Kjoss, Commissioner Gordana Kajer, Vice Chair Lisa Wibroe, Chair



Robin Thorne, Commissioner Joan Greenwood, Commissioner Jill Brennan, Commissioner Kyle McCune, Commissioner Vacant, Commissioner Vacant, Commissioner

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CALL TO ORDER

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At 4:05 P. M., Chair Wibroe called the Sustainable City Commission meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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Boardmembers Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Robin Thorne, Jill Brennan,

Present: Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Boardmembers Andrea White-Kjoss and Joan Greenwood

Absent:

ALSO PRESENT: Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator; Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator; and Thelinjoris Roberts, Clerk Typist III.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

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There was no public participation.

NEW BUSINESS

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1. <u>10-0761</u> Recommendation to receive and file the Minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday June 24, 2010.

A motion was made by Commissioner Supernaw, seconded by Commissioner Berry, to receive and file the Minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday June 24, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Robin Thorne, Jill Brennan,

Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Absent: 2 - Andrea White-Kjoss and Joan Greenwood

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2. 10-0762

Recommendation to approve the 2010-2011 Sustainable City Commission Work Plan and forward to the City Council for approval.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, provided the recap of the Sustainable City Commission Work Plan.

Commission Kajer spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Commissioner Berry, to approve the recommendation and forward to the City Council for approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Robin Thorne, Jill Brennan, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Absent: 2 - Andrea White-Kjoss and Joan Greenwood

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3. 10-0763

Recommendation to receive and file a report on the Bike Boulevard Project in Long Beach.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, provided the introduction to the Bike Boulevard update.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, provided the PowerPoint presentation update on the Bike Boulevard Project in Long Beach.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wibroe and Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer.

Commissioner Berry spoke.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Berry and Sumire Gant,

Traffic Programs Officer.

Vice Chair Kajer spoke.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Kajer and Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Vice Chair Kajer spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Brennan spoke.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Brennan and Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Supernaw, seconded by Commissioner Brennan, to receive and file a report on the Bike Boulevard Project in Long Beach. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Robin Thorne, Jill Brennan, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Absent: 2 - Andrea White-Kjoss and Joan Greenwood

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4. 10-0764

Recommendation to receive and file a report on the Car Sharing Program in Long Beach.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, provided the introduction to the Car Sharing Program presentation.

Sumire Gant, Traffic Programs Officer, provided the PowerPoint presentation on the Car Share Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to receive and file a report on the Car Sharing Program in Long Beach. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Robin Thorne, Jill Brennan,

Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Absent: 2 - Andrea White-Kjoss and Joan Greenwood

PROGRESS UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NEXT STEPS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY STAFF

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The following comments were made by Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator:

On July 10, 2010, the fundraiser at the Art Exchange successfully raised over \$6,500; however, 85 percent of the stock is still available. The Art Exchange will sponsor another sale sometime in the month of August 2010.

Five supervisors and three youth workers began working at the Farm 59 site located at Willow and California. A short film about the project will be produced by one of the volunteers.

Sustainable City Staff have applied for an EPA grant in the amount of \$750,000 to retrofit three City pool facilities. The pools are Silverado, MLK, and Outdoor Pool at Belmont Pier. The pools will be equipped with solar hot water heating and full energy efficiency retrofits.

A grant from the California Strategic Growth Council in the amount of \$1,000,000 is pending. The grant will be used to update existing zoning and municipal code items including urban agriculture initiatives.

The on-going program for energy efficiency rebates for up to \$500 along with no-cost permits has been moving slowly. In an effort to get the information out to the public, more advertising is underway in the Press Telegram & Long Beach Post.

The Solar Trash Compactors Pilot Program is now in place. There are three locations where the compactors have been installed: Downtown in front of the AMC Theatre, Bixby Knolls on Atlantic & Carson and in Belmont Shore on 2nd Street & Argonne. There will be a press event in Belmont Shore July 28, 2010 at 11 a.m.

Reminder - The next Sustainable City Commission meeting will be August 19, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. and will adjourn at 5:00 p.m. The Sustainable City Commission will re-convene with the Planning Commission at 5:00 p.m. for a joint Study Session to discuss Low Impact Development Policies.

Chair Wibroe asked if the EPA grant has a provision to pursue changing the pools to use salt water instead of chlorine.

Meredith Reynolds responded that at this time, the EPA grant does not include using salt water; however, it is something that can be brought up for discussion at a later time.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

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Chair Wibroe has put together a Long Beach Open Studio Tour on October 2 & 3, 2010 from 11 am - 5 pm. Artists in the communities of California Heights, Wrigley & Bixby Knolls will open their studios to the public free of charge. Chair Wibroe's mission is to make the event more sustainable so this year there will be a free trolley available to visit the studios.

Commissioner Brennan announced that 6 water aerators have been installed at the duck pond at El Dorado Park West to improve the quality of the water. It's exciting to know that all of the aerators are solar powered. (Saving energy & saving the ducks)

Commissioner Supernaw announced three separate items:

Lenner Homes at the 2100 block of Redondo is opening and there are quite a few solar components involved in the development. The neighborhoods in the area - the Brown School on Redondo & Hill, the Military Property and the Post Office are all potential hubs for more green developments.

On July 22, 2010 there will be a Neil Diamond impersonator at Waley Park. It was noticed that the Municipal Band uses a diesel powered generator so there could be an opportunity to work out something different with the Municipal Band to protect the environment.

The graphics on the utility bill shows a Yucca style plant in the parkway in a drought tolerant landscaped area, however, that depiction may not be the best since the plant actually hangs over the sidewalk and they have sharp points that could be dangerous for toddlers.

Commissioner Supernaw thanked Commissioner Thorne for introducing the concept of risk management to sustainability.

ADJOURNMENT

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At 5:03 P. M., there being no objection, Chair Wibroe declared the meeting adjourned.