

Elliot Gonzales, Chair
Kathleen Irvine, Vice Chair
Donna Bergeron-Birge, Commissioner
Sona Coffee, Commissioner
Carla Dillon, Commissioner



Desiree Gutierrez, Commissioner
Nicholas Lind, Commissioner
Coby Skye, Commissioner
Alan Tolhoff, Commissioner
Morgan Wheeler, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gonzales called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

ROLL CALL

Also present: Larry Rich, Sustainable City Coordinator

Commissioners Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Coby Skye,

Present: Morgan Wheeler, Kathleen Irvine and Elliot Gonzales

Commissioners Desiree Gutierrez, Nicholas Lind and Alan Tolhoff

Absent:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Gordana Kajer spoke.

Anne Kendrill, representing Non-toxic Long Beach, spoke.

Gabrielle Weeks spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

Phil Geason spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon, seconded by Vice Chair Irvine, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Carla Dillon, Coby Skye, Morgan Wheeler, Kathleen Irvine and Elliot Gonzales

Abstain: 1 - Sona Coffee

Absent: 3 - Desiree Gutierrez, Nicholas Lind and Alan Tolkoff

[17-009SC](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday, February 23, 2017.

REGULAR AGENDA (2)

1 [17-010SC](#)

Recommendation to receive a presentation from the Long Beach Environmental Services Bureau about Environmentally Acceptable Food Packing Ordinance.

Larry Rich, Sustainable City Coordinator, introduced Diko Melkonian, Environmental Services Bureau Manager, who presented the staff report.

Gabrielle Weeks spoke.

Don Johnson, representative of the California Grocers Association, spoke.

Samantha Martinez, representative of the Plastic Food Packing Group, spoke.

Becky Warren, representative of the California Restaurant Association, spoke.

Phil Geason spoke.

Rob Kuricky, representative of the Los Angeles Business Administration, spoke.

Anne Kendrill spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

Kevin Valasgas spoke.

Danny Leezel spoke.

Larry Smith spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Bergeron-Birge and Diko Melkonian.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Skye and Diko Melkonian.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Diko Melkonian spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

Diko Melkonian spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Skye spoke.

Monica Kilaita, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Skye spoke.

Monica Kilaita spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Skye and Monica Kilaita.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Diko Melkonian spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Skye spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skye, seconded by Commissioner Coffee, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Coby Skye, Morgan Wheeler, Kathleen Irvine and Elliot Gonzales

No: 1 - Carla Dillon

Absent: 3 - Desiree Gutierrez, Nicholas Lind and Alan Tolkoff

2 [17-011SC](#)

Recommendation to receive a presentation from Long Beach Gas & Oil on the Current Oil and Gas Operations in Long Beach.

Larry Rich introduced Bob Dowell, Director of the Long Beach Gas and Oil Department.

Bob Dowell spoke.

Kevin Tougas, Manager of the Oil Operations Bureau, spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Leanna Noble, member of the North Pine Neighborhood Alliance, spoke.

Irene Lovelace, member of Stop Fracking Long Beach, spoke.

Anne Kentrill spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Travis Owens, advocate for Stop Fracking Long Beach, spoke.

Shaiane Phoenix spoke.

Danny Leezel spoke.

Annie Buchanan, member of the Long Beach 350 Environmental Group,

spoke.

Gabrielle Weeks, member of the Sierra Club, spoke.

Larry Smith spoke.

Kevin Yaegar, member of the Democratic Socialist's of America, spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Dillon and Kevin Tougas.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Coffee and Bob Dowell.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gonzales, Kevin Tougas and Bob Dowell.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Wheeler, Kevin Tougas and Bob Dowell.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Dillon spoke.

Kevin Tougas spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon, seconded by Vice Chair Irvine, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Coby Skye, Morgan Wheeler, Kathleen Irvine and Elliot Gonzales

Absent: 3 - Desiree Gutierrez, Nicholas Lind and Alan Tolkoff

PROGRESS UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NEXT STEPS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY STAFF

Grace Lawrenceson spoke.

Annie Buchanan spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Skye spoke.

Chair Gonzales spoke.

Morgan Wheeler left the Council Chamber.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Skye and Chair Gonzales.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.