CITY OF LONG BEACH SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2008 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 4:00 PM

Susana Gonzalez, Commissioner Andrea White, Commissioner Carolyn Shadle, Commissioner Daryl Supernaw, Commissioner Jill Brennan, Commissioner



Lisa Wibroe, Commissioner Joan Greenwood, Commissioner Robin Thorne, Commissioner Sera Grossman, Commissioner Andrew Kincaid, Chair

CALL TO ORDER

see media

At 4:04 P.M., Chair Kincaid called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL see media

Boardmembers Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Robin Thorne, Lisa **Present:** Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw and Carolyn Shadle

Boardmembers Susana Gonzalez, Sera Candela-Grossman and Joan Greenwood **Absent**:

PUBLIC: Opportunity given to citizens to address the ruling body on non-agenda items within their jurisdiction. (Currently limited to three minutes, unless extended by the Chair.) see media

Derrick Wood, Hermosa Beach resident, spoke.

NEW BUSINESS

see media

1. 08-0843 Recommendation to receive and file the minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday, July 24, 2008.

A motion was made by Commissioner Supernaw, seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to receive and file the minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday, July 24, 2008. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Robin Thorne, Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw and Carolyn Shadle

Absent: 3 - Susana Gonzalez, Sera Candela-Grossman and Joan Greenwood

Chair Kincaid requested that Agenda Item 3 be taken out of order and discussed at this time.

see media

3. <u>08-0764</u>

Recommendation to continue the dicussion on the 2008-2009 Sustainable City Commission work plan.

Meredith Reynolds gave a presentation regarding implementing the Sustainable City Commission Work Plan and responded to questions.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke about the need of a Sustainability Audit.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Meredith Reynolds informed the Commission of the Sustainability Section on all City Council Letters; and continued with the presentation.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator requested feedback regarding the Proposed Mission and Objectives for the Commission.

Commission Wibroe spoke about the deconstruction of existing building debris and remodeling debris and how the materials are disposed of or preserved.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, addressed how demolition projects are handled in the city.

Chair Kincaid requested to add the words "restore and preserve" our natural environment to the mission statement.

Commissioner Shadle spoke regarding the proposal of green construction.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, responded to question regarding comprehensive policy due back to council in October regarding the green construction proposal.

Commissioner White requested that all the subject areas are covered in the "Objectives"

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, responded to the question.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, continued with the presentation.

Commissioner Thorne asked a clarifying question about a definitive

definition for "sustainability".

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Shadle spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Thorne spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw asked that guidelines about a grace period or transition period for construction issues on sustainable projects.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, asked a clarifying question regarding a grace or transition period.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Thorne spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shadle, seconded by Commissioner Wibroe, to receive and file the discussion on the 2008-2009 Sustainable City Commission work plan. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Robin Thorne, Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw and Carolyn Shadle

Absent: 3 - Susana Gonzalez, Sera Candela-Grossman and Joan Greenwood

SECOND ROLL CALL

Commissioner Greenwood joined the meeting.

Boardmembers Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Robin Thorne, Lisa **Present:** Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Joan Greenwood and Carolyn Shadle

Boardmembers Susana Gonzalez and Sera Candela-Grossman **Absent**:

see media

4. <u>08-0845</u> Recommendation to receive a preview of the Office of Sustainability website.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, gave a presentation regarding the Sustainable City Commission website.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Alfre Vaille, Sustainability Coordinator joined the meeting.

Commissioner Brennan questioned if sustainability is tied into the budget.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Thorne spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Wibroe spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Shadle spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw applauded staff on the website.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Elisa Tesco, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke about adding blogs and the site being interactive.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke about having a comment section versus a blog on the website.

Ed McMillan, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Commissioner Shadle spoke about eating and buying locally.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke about gray water and incentives

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Brennan, to receive and file the preview of the Office of Sustainability website. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Robin Thorne, Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Joan Greenwood and Carolyn Shadle

Absent: 2 - Susana Gonzalez and Sera Candela-Grossman

2. <u>08-0844</u> Recommendation to receive a Bike Long Beach Introduction from Tony Cruz, Long Beach Bike Ambassador.

This item as not discussed, but will be discussed at a future date.

PROGRESS UPDATE

Accomplishments, Updates and Next Steps see media

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke about Storm Drains; reconvening of the Green Team of City Staff; and water urinals on 13th Floor.

Next Steps: Energy focus area of the Workplan scheduled for September 2008; A presentation on Greenhouse Gas Inventory by Alfre Vaille; Long Beach Bike Master Plan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

see media

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Shadle asked for a status on Green Business Designation

Commissioner Greenwood announced that more than 300 fish were found dead in the Los Angeles River today, according to news reports.

Commissioner White spoke briefly about the status of the Bike Long Beach Program

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, announced that Councilmember Reyes Uranga and AQMD has invited the Commission to tour the AQMD lab.

Commissioner Greenwood announced that a convention of the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association is scheduled for September 15-16, 2008; and that she could secure complimentary registration for those interested in attending the event.

ADJOURNMENT

see media

