CITY OF LONG BEACH SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 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/ROLL CALL see media

At 4:34 P.M., Chair Kincaid called the meeting to order.

Also present: Linda Trang, Deputy City Attorney; and Gloria Harper, City Clerk Specialist

Boardmembers Andrew Kincaid, Jill Brennan, Sera Candela-Grossman, Lisa **Present:** Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Joan Greenwood and Carolyn Shadle

Boardmembers Susana Gonzalez, Andrea White and Robin Thorne

Absent:

2. 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.)

Ed McMillan, Long Beach resident, addressed the committee.

Chair Kincaid responded to questions from the public.

3. NEW BUSINESS:

SECOND ROLL CALL

Commissioner White joined the meeting.

Boardmembers Andrew Kincaid, Andrea White, Jill Brennan, Sera

Present: Candela-Grossman, Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Joan

Greenwood and Carolyn Shadle

Boardmembers Susana Gonzalez and Robin Thorne

Absent:

08-0625 A. Sustainable City Work Plan - Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability

Coordinator

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, gave a staff report and

responded to questions.

Commissioner Shadle had questions regarding Green Businesses.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator responded to questions.

Commissioner Wibroe commented regarding certifiable measurements.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Grossman commented that job creation as well as Green Jobs should be included in the Work Plan.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Shadle commented on the presentation and the sample Report Card.

Commissioner Grossman commented on work pollution and where it would fall into the work plan.

A dialogue ensued.

Alfre Vaille, Sustainability Coordinator, gave a brief summary regarding the number of Green Jobs and how they are defined.

Commissioner Greenwood commented on the reports; comments made by the other Commissioners; and how the three-legged stool and work plan will mesh with other work plans.

Meredith Reynolds spoke about funding mechanisms.

Commissioner Brennen spoke about Urban Nature and whether it relate to the number of trees planted and removed annually and the number of acres of open space per thousand resident.

Meredith responded to Commissioner Brennen questions.

Commissioner Supernaw commented regarding measurable items and target areas where the commission can improve in all areas.

Meredith Reynolds responded

Commissioner White requested that the number of bicycle riders, the number of bicycle projects and the miles of paths implemented in the Transportation Benchmark section of the Work Plan.

Chair Kincaid commented on starting the process of the Work Plan.

Commissioner Shadle asked for clarification of the Work Plan.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Greenwood spoke about interfacing with the Planning Commission and Redevelopment Agency as the Commission continue with the plan.

Meredith Reynolds clarified the topics with the Commissioner.

Ed McMillan, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw commented on McMillian's comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shadle, seconded by Commissioner Wibroe, to approve recommendation and refer to the City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Andrew Kincaid, Jill Brennan, Sera Candela-Grossman, Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Joan Greenwood and Carolyn Shadle

Absent: 3 - Susana Gonzalez, Andrea White and Robin Thorne

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B. Green Business Designation Discussion - *Meredith Reynolds*, *Sustainability Coordinator*

Meredith Reynolds, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair Kincaid commented about time frame to report back to Council on program proposal.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Wibroe commented about new legislation.

Commissioner Greenwood mentioned preparing a proposal and the key points of proposals should include how the city can encourage sustainability efforts for landlords.

Commissioner Grossman suggested that the Commission plan a brain storming session prior to the next meeting.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Supernaw commented about getting involved in graphic design and possibly offering a checklist to businesses.

Commissioner Shadle commented about different designations for different businesses for simplicity purposes.

Commissioner Shadle commented on the Work Plan that would be going to Council.

Commissioner Supernaw responded to the question.

Chair Kincaid clarified whether the commission was referring to a certification program.

Commissioner Shadle spoke.

Commissioner White commented regarding input and output efforts on a voluntary basis.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Supernaw commented about checking with local companies to assist with establishing certification guidelines.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Commissioner Wibroe requested that the Commission seek out other programs.

Commissioner Shadle questioned how to get items on the agenda; and the desire to discuss green restaurants.

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Chair Kindcaid asked for clarification from Commissioner Shadle.

Meredith Reynolds responded to the question.

Commissioner Wibroe commented about the process to add items to the agenda.

Gabrielle Weeks, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair Kincaid asked that Hybrid approach be included in the Work Plan.

Ed McMillian, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw commented on the public's comment.

Commissioner Kincaid asked that the Work Plan include incentivizing.

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C. Next Steps - Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator

Work Plan to Council possibly by July.

Council recommendation to bring to the Commission in July or August regarding bicycle issues in the City.

Commissioner Shadle spoke about the Bicycle Plan.

A dialogue ensued.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke about the Bicycle Plan

Commissioner Greenwood spoke about Bicycle Family Rodeo planning process and invited the commission on August 15, 2008.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke about an overview of the website.

Commissioner White commented about the diversity of opinions on accommodation for cyclists and how cyclist is defined.

Chair Kincaid spoke.

Commissioner Greenwood commented about safety issues and a bike plan.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Greenwood invited the Commission to the Bicycle Family Rodeo planning process on August 16, 2008.

Green Port Day, October 4, 2008

University by the Sea, October 5, 2008.

Gabrielle Weeks, Long Beach resident, spoke about bike racks on the Passport.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, responded to public comment regarding bike racks on the Passport.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke about bike lanes and rails.

Linda Trang, Deputy City Attorney, spoke to the Commissioners about Conflict of Interest; and invited the Commissioners to speak her after the meeting if they had additional questions and/or concerns.

Commissioner Greenwood spoke about bike lanes and Master Bike Plan.

Commissioner Shadle spoke about items that she would like to see on the next agenda.

5. ADJOURNMENT

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At 5:36 P.M., there being no objection, Chair Kincaid declared the meeting adjourned.