

Lisa Wibroe, Chair
Gordana Kajer, Vice Chair
Rick Berry, Commissioner
Jill Brennan, Commissioner
Elliot Gonzalez, Commissioner
Joan Greenwood, Commissioner



Kyle McCune, Commissioner
Daryl Supernaw, Commissioner
Robin Thorne, Commissioner
Andrea White-Kjoss, Commissioner
Vacant, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood,

Present: Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Boardmembers Andrea White-Kjoss and Elliot Gonzales

Absent:

ALSO PRESENT: Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator; Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator; Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; and Thelinjoris Roberts, Clerk Typist III.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There was no public participation.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 11-0100 Recommendation to receive and file the Minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday December 1, 2010.
A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Commissioner Berry, to approve the recommendation to receive and file the Minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday December 1, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 6 - Lisa Wibroe, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune
Abstain: 1 - Daryl Supernaw

Absent: 2 - Andrea White-Kjoss and Elliot Gonzales

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Present: Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood,

Present: Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry, Kyle McCune and Elliot Gonzales

Boardmembers Absent: Andrea White-Kjoss

Absent:

2. 11-0101 Recommendation to acknowledge Tidal Influence as a Long Beach Green Business. (Oral Report)

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke and introduced Taylor Parker, Owner, Tidal Influence.

Taylor Parker, Tidal Influence, spoke.

Gonzales joined the meeting.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Taylor Parker, Owner, Tidal Influence, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke and presented Taylor Parker, Owner, Tidal Influence, with a certificate.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Commissioner McCune, to approve the recommendation to acknowledge Tidal Influence as a Long Beach Green Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry, Kyle McCune and Elliot Gonzales

Absent: 1 - Andrea White-Kjoss

3. 11-0102 Recommendation to receive a report on Sustainable City Commission rules and procedures.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, provided the staff report.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Supernaw and Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry, seconded by Commissioner Greenwood, to approve the recommendation to receive a report on Sustainable City Commission rules and procedures. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry, Kyle McCune and Elliot Gonzales

Absent: 1 - Andrea White-Kjoss

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Andrea White-Kjoss, Jill Brennan,
Present: Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry, Kyle McCune and Elliot Gonzales

4. 11-0103 Recommendation to support the design and construction of an auto-traffic separated bicycle and pedestrian path on the new Gerald Desmond Bridge in conjunction with the design and construction of the bridge. (Oral Report)

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Mark Bixby, Long Beach Resident, spoke and introduced Alan Crawford, Long Beach Resident, who provided a video presentation regarding the Gerald Desmond Bridge bicycle and pedestrian path.

White-Kjoss joined the meeting.

Mark Bixby, Long Beach Resident, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Vice Chair Kajer spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Kajer and Mark Bixby, Long Beach Resident.

Commissioner White-Kjoss spoke.

Theclinjoris Roberts, Clerk, spoke.

Commissioner White-Kjoss spoke.

Theclinjoris Roberts, Clerk, spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Alan Crawford, Long Beach Resident, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Supernaw and Alan
Crawford, Long Beach Resident.

Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

Theclinjoris Roberts, Clerk, spoke.

Commissioner Berry spoke.

Commissioner White-Kjoss spoke.

Commissioner Greenwood spoke.

Mark Bixby, Long Beach Resident, spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

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Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

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Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

Commissioner White-Kjoss spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Commissioner Greenwood spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Berry called the question.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

(The Motion was made at this time and the vote was made later.)

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Thelinjoris Roberts, Clerk, spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Brennan spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Commissioner Greenwood spoke.

Commissioner Berry spoke.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

Commissioner Berry spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Berry and Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner White-Kjoss, seconded by Commissioner Greenwood, to approve the recommendation to support the design and construction of an auto-traffic separated bicycle and pedestrian path on the new Gerald Desmond Bridge in conjunction with the design and construction of the bridge. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Andrea White-Kjoss, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry, Kyle McCune and Elliot Gonzales

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Present: Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Andrea White-Kjoss, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Boardmembers Absent: Elliot Gonzales

Absent:

5. 11-0104 Recommendation to receive a report on the Energy Upgrade California Program. (Oral Report)

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Gonzales left the meeting.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

A member of the audience asked a question.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Chair Supernaw, to approve the recommendation to receive a report on the Energy Upgrade California Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Andrea White-Kjoss, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Excused: 1 - Elliot Gonzales

6. 11-0105 Recommendation to receive a report on CALGREEN, the state's new mandatory green building codes. (Oral Report)

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, provided the oral report.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Vice Chair Kajer spoke.

Commissioner Berry spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Ty, Long Beach Permaculture, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kajer, seconded by Commissioner Brennan, to approve the recommendation to receive a report on CALGREEN, the state's new mandatory green building codes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Lisa Wibroe, Daryl Supernaw, Andrea White-Kjoss, Jill Brennan, Joan Greenwood, Gordana Kajer, Rick Berry and Kyle McCune

Excused: 1 - Elliot Gonzales

PROGRESS UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NEXT STEPS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY STAFF

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, announced her departure from the City of Long Beach. Meredith accepted a position with the City of Irvine as the Environmental Programs Administrator.

Chair Wibroe thanked Meredith for her service to the City of Long Beach.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, announced the following:

The residential mulch delivery program is six weeks old and reached a milestone with its 50th residential delivery. Commissioner Greenwood is included in the total number of mulch deliveries. Commissioner Greenwood was interviewed by the Mayor, which will air on the Heart of the City Program; so look for it on your local cable channels. A reporter from Greater Long Beach, who is a neighbor of Commissioner Supernaw, also received a mulch delivery. The on-line registration form has been having technical difficulties. The issue should be repaired within the next week.

Two grants have been submitted to CALFire which is an Urban Forestry Grantor. The first grant is for an additional 1,000 street trees and the other is for 10 bio-retention tree wells; low-impact development devices which is hoped to be piloted throughout the City with the approval of the grants.

The office of Sustainability is participating with other departments developing guidelines for a grey water installation pilot program, which may be presented as a contest.

In light of Commissioner Berry's comments regarding alternative construction, the RDA in partnership with the Office of Sustainability and the US Green Building Council will be introducing a design competition that revolves around the use of shipping containers. RDA has identified a site to use as a sample site for youth and student teams to come up with designs which will be judged by a panel and presented at an alternative building conference in Santa Monica. If the designs are sound, they could be built in the future in the City of Long Beach. The Project Manager for the program is Erika Martin, RDA Administrative Analyst. Sarah Price, Management Assistant, will also help with some of the energy efficiency grant monies. Also in the interim, there are two new office interns; Joanne Ancheta and Gareth Howell. Two current interns, Tiffany Chen and Monica Noeng, will remain to continue to assist the Office of Sustainability thanks to Workforce grant dollars.

Chair Wibroe spoke.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, introduced Jason Gallup, Driver and Supervisor of the Mulch Delivery.

Commissioner Supernaw spoke about the agenda process.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSIONERS

Chair Supernaw spoke on the agenda process. If the Commission spends a little more time on the subject it may seem awful, however, let's get it right while it's on the agenda now because it's tough for it to come back the next month and have to deal with it all over again...worst yet, to have it kicked back by a different body a year or two down the road. Also, many know his background is in marketing, so unless the NCAA basketball tournament has an electoral property rights, think of Mulch Madness for March.

Ty, Long Beach Permaculture, spoke and introduced a residential mulch recipient, Christina S.

Vice Chair Kajer spoke.

Vice Chair Kajer announced the Los Cerritos Wetland Trust is planning their monthly walk with the services of Tidal Influence. The public is invited, go to website and RSVP.

Commissioner Berry gave well wishes to Meredith Reynolds, and acknowledged Long Beach Permaculture for joining the meeting. Commissioner Berry also announced the CEOs of Whole Foods Market, Organic Valley Farms & Stoney Field Farms have basically endorsed genetically modified alfalfa, basically surrendering and saying we have to co-exist. According to the Commissioner, it is not a good step because the pollen from the genetically modified alfalfa is basically unstoppable. He encourages everyone to become more informed about genetically modified foods and go to the Organic Consumer's website and send a petition to say no to GMO.

Commissioner Greenwood announced that on Saturday February 10, 2011 the Neighborhood Alliance is teaming up with Kaboom, Foresters and the City Department of Parks & Recreation to build a playground in a day. What's interesting about this project is they want a very strong green component as part of the project incorporating activities for children. The Commissioner thanked Waste Management Incorporated for donating the dumpster which will be taken to their downtown diversion facility so any of the leftover construction material will be recycled if possible. Commissioner Greenwood also thanked the Port of Long Beach. One of the members, Christine Houston, will bring the Wheel of Fortune which will allow the kids to spin the wheel and make a pledge to do one thing for the planet. They will also paint bat-houses to install along the flood control areas and learn about the beneficial use of bats in pest control.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, announced the Kaboom event is a volunteer workday for the Department of Development Services.

Chair Wibroe once again thanked Meredith Reynolds, Sustainability Coordinator, for her

service to the Commission and wished her the best of luck in her future.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:32 P.M., there being no objection, Chair Wibroe declared the meeting adjourned.