

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
SUSTAINABLE CITY
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022
TELECONFERENCE, 4:00 PM**

Morgan Wheeler, Chair
Hilda Gaytan, Vice Chair
Donna Bergeron-Birge, Commissioner
Sona Coffee, Commissioner
Carla Dillon, Commissioner
Keisha Gaines, Commissioner



Rey Gonzales, Commissioner
Jenny Novak, Commissioner
Eric Rock, Commissioner
Coby Skye, Commissioner
Alan Tolkoff, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

**SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE
PURSUANT TO AB 361 (GOV. CODE SECTION 54953(e)(1)-(2))**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wheeler called the meeting to order at 4:19 PM.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Keisha Gaines, Rey Gonzales, Jenny Novak, Coby Skye, Sona
Present: Coffee and Morgan Wheeler

Commissioners Donna Bergeron-Birge, Carla Dillon, Eric Rock, Alan Tolkoff and
Absent: Hilda Gaytan

Also present: Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator; Kristyn Payne, Sustainability Analyst;
Courtney Chatterson, Communications Specialist; Tamela Austin, City Clerk Specialist.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Sustainable City Commission on items of interest to the public within the Agency Board jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

Dave Shukla spoke.

Chair Wheeler spoke.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. 22-005SC Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday, January 27, 2022.

Dave Shukla spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Keisha Gaines, Rey Gonzales, Jenny Novak, Coby Skye, Sona Coffee and Morgan Wheeler

Absent: 5 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Carla Dillon, Eric Rock, Alan Tolkoff and Hilda Gaytan

2. 22-006SC Recommendation to receive a presentation from City Staff on the development of the Youth Climate Corps Program and forward comments from the public and Commissioners to the Climate Action and Environmental Committee.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Eli Romero, Workforce Development Officer, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

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Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Wheeler spoke.

Dan Knapp spoke.

Kirk Kunihiro spoke.

Lindsay Smith spoke.

Nathan McKenzie spoke.

Dave Shukla spoke.

Pete Marsh spoke.

Kenny spoke.

Andrea Bell spoke.

Commissioner Novak spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Eli Romero, Workforce Development Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Coffee and Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager.

Eli Romero, Workforce Development Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Coffee and Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator,

Chair Wheeler spoke.

Eli Romero, Workforce Development Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wheeler and Eli Romero, Workforce Development Officer.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Wheeler spoke.

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Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Wheeler spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Keisha Gaines, Rey Gonzales, Jenny Novak, Coby Skye, Sona Coffee and Morgan Wheeler

Absent: 5 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Carla Dillon, Eric Rock, Alan Tolkoff and Hilda Gaytan

PROGRESS UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NEXT STEPS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY STAFF

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSIONERS

There were no comments & announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 6:01 PM.

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