

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

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023  
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  
Kirk Kunihiro, Commissioner  
Coby Skye, Commissioner  
Alan Tolkoff, Commissioner

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**FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES**

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

**CALL TO ORDER (4:11 PM)**

Chair Wheeler called the meeting to order at 4:11 PM.

**ROLL CALL (4:11 PM)**

**Commissioners** Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Rey  
**Present:** Gonzales, Kirk Kunihiro, Coby Skye, Hilda Gaytan and Morgan  
Wheeler  
**Commissioners** Keisha Gaines and Alan Tolkoff  
**Absent:**

Also present: Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator; Laureen Carroll, Sustainability Assistant; Tamela Austin, City Clerk Specialist.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (4:11 PM)**

Byron Chan spoke.

**REGULAR AGENDA (4:13 PM)**

1. [23-001SC](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Sustainable City

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Commission meeting of Thursday, October 27, 2022.

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

**Yes:** 8 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Rey Gonzales, Kirk Kunihiro, Coby Skye, Hilda Gaytan and Morgan Wheeler

**Absent:** 2 - Keisha Gaines and Alan Tolkoff

2. 23-002SC Recommendation to receive a presentation from the City Attorney's Office on the Brown Act

Erin Weesner-McKinley, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Vice Chair Gaytan spoke.

Erin Weesner-McKinley, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Kunihiro spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Kunihiro and Erin Weesner-McKinley, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner Gonzalez spoke.

Erin Weesner-McKinley, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Rey Gonzales, Kirk Kunihiro, Hilda Gaytan and Morgan Wheeler

**Absent:** 3 - Keisha Gaines, Coby Skye and Alan Tolkoff

3. [23-003SC](#) Recommendation to receive a presentation on the Office of Sustainability 2022 Year in Review.

Commissioner Skye joined the meeting.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

Vice Chair Gaytan spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Commissioner Skye spoke.

Commissioner Kunihiro spoke.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Donna Bergeron-Birge, Sona Coffee, Carla Dillon, Rey Gonzales, Kirk Kunihiro, Hilda Gaytan and Morgan Wheeler

**Absent:** 3 - Keisha Gaines, Coby Skye and Alan Tolkoff

**PROGRESS UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NEXT STEPS FROM  
SUSTAINABLE CITY STAFF (5:39 PM)**

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

Chair Wheeler spoke.

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMISSIONERS  
(5:45 PM)**

Commissioner Bergerone-Birge spoke.

Vice Chair Gaytan spoke.

Commissioner Coffee spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT (5:51 PM)**

There being no objection, Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 5:51 PM.

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