



# CITY OF EL SEGUNDO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Friday, August 7, 2020, 12:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:04pm, held virtually via Zoom.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Committee Members were present:

- Tracey Miller-Zarneke, Resident, Local Business, Committee Chair
- Corrie Zupo, Resident, Committee Vice-Chair
- Caroline Hawks, Resident, Member
- Kevin Maggay, Local Business, Member
- Sarah Brockhaus, Resident, Member
- Rachel McPherson, Resident, Member

The following Committee Members were not present:

- Kristin Faivre, El Segundo School District, Member

The following City staff member(s) / Council member(s) were present:

- Jasmine Allen, City of El Segundo, Senior Management Analyst and Staff Liaison

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

There were three members of public attending:

- Claudia Gomez - resident
- Chia-Ming Ro - resident
- Will Seidel – resident

Jasmine Allen read his submitted comments: *Two-stroke engines are inherently thousands of times more-polluting than the four-cycle engines we are familiar with in cars. I operate a laser-based particulate air quality sensor in our home. A neighbor's use of a leafblower pushes our air quality outside healthy limits – and easily overwhelms any air quality impact from neighboring highways or airports.*

4. NEW BUSINESS

None



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5. REPORTS: CITY STAFF
  - a. Jasmine Allen shared the meeting City Staff had with resident Will Seidel regarding Leaf Blowers: staff does not recommend banning gas leaf blowers at this time. State of CA will be phasing out gas leaf blowers (exhaust emission).
  - b. Jasmine Allen informed the Committee "EC Council Update" is postponed for September 15, 2020.
  - c. Public Works reminded the Committee members to renew their expired memberships by contacting Mishia Jennings.
  
6. ACTION ITEMS:

Environmental Committee voted in support of Keeping Bees on residential property (Urban Beekeeping). Recommended to add safety factors. Motioned by Rachel McPherson and seconded by Kevin Maggay. Motion carried with added safety factors by 6-0.
  
7. REPORTS: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS
  - a. Solid Waste Reduction/Elimination of Single-Use Plastics (Caroline Hawks/Tracey Miller-Zarneke): discussed next steps for consideration.
  - b. Green Business Recognition Program (Corrie Zupo): no update.
  - c. Water Conservation (Rachel McPherson): no update on the research progress. There have not been any compliance changes due to COVID-19.
  - d. Discussed Green Construction Standards (Caroline Hawks/Sarah Brockhaus).
  - e. Smoking Ban (Kevin Maggay): no update.
  
8. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approved Minutes from July 10, 2020 meeting with exclusion of the date on the last line. Motion carried 6-0.
  
9. ADJOURNMENT  
Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm.