

AGENDA CITY OF EL SEGUNDO

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

MEETING LOCATION: CITY HALL Executive Conference Room 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EL SEGUNDO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE Friday, April 7, 2023 – 12:00 P.M.

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Related to City Business Only and for which the Committee is responsible 5-minute limit per person, 30-minute limit total) While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Committee to take action on any item not on the agenda. Committee members may respond to comments after Public Communications is closed.
- **4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Scattergood Plant Conversion to Hydrogen Power by LADWP
- 5. REPORTS: PUBLIC WORKS this portion of the agenda is for City staff to provide brief reports to the Committee. These are "receive and file," non-action

items only. Any actions needed to be taken must be included on an upcoming agenda.

- a. Hyperion Update
- b. CAGBN Update
- **6. REPORTS: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS** this portion of the agenda is for members to discuss various ideas and for subcommittees established by the Committee to provide brief reports on the work being done by the subcommittee. These are "receive and file," non-action items only. Any actions needed to be taken must be included on an upcoming agenda.
 - a. Environmental Work Plan: Committee Priority Assessment

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Approval of March 3, 2023 Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes (attached). Recommendation: Approval.

8. ACTION ITEM:

- a. Elect Committee Vice Chair
- 9. ADJOURNMENT



City of El Segundo

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, March 3, 2023, 12:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:04pm, held in the Executive Conference Room of City Hall in person.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Committee Members were present:

- Tracey Miller-Zarneke, Local Business, Committee Chair
- Corrie Zupo, Resident, Committee Vice Chair
- Shannon O'Toole, Local Business, Member
- Kevin Butler, Local Business, Member
- Kevin Atmore, Resident, Member
- Dennis Falk, Resident, Member
- Heather Sutherland, ESUSD Representative, Member

The following City staff and Council were present:

- Ryan Baldino, Councilmember
- Elias K. Sassoon, Public Works Director
- Erica Miramontes, Management Analyst
- 3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: None.
- 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Resident Barbara Boland provided an update on the El Segundo blue butterfly conservancy efforts. She reported that they met with Parks Superintendent, Christopher Hentzen, and discussed possible land locations where the Sea Cliff Buckwheat can be planted to support the endangered species. She mentioned that since that meeting, Mr. Hentzen has been off due to illness and a new Acting Parks Superintendent, Joseph Casillas, has been appointed in his absence. In her meeting with Mr. Casillas regarding the planting of the buckwheat, she discovered that the Parks, Rec & Library Department has decided to focus its efforts on a Native Plant Walk project at this time. Barbara stated that the conservancy will now transition their efforts on trying to create a Blue Butterfly Habitat. She mentioned that she would reach out to Hyperion to see if they would be willing to create a habitat on their property.

5. REPORTS: PUBLIC WORKS

- a. Hyperion Update: Director Sassoon provided a status report regarding Hyperion. He reported that City staff attended the 1/25/2023 AQMD board hearing in which AQMD issued an extended abatement order to Hyperion. The next AQMD board hearing will be on 6/20/2023 and the City plans to attend. Director Sassoon also informed the committee that the City has been working with Assemblymember, Al Muratsuchi, in developing legislature for the fenceline monitoring system. The City has also executed an Agreement with Dr. Michael K. Stenstrom, who will be providing his expertise to assist in developing the language for the bill. Director Sassoon mentioned that Dr. Stenstrom will be introduced to the City Council at the next City Council meeting scheduled for 3/27/2023.
- b. CABGN Update: Director Sassoon provided a status update regarding the 2nd year of the Cal Green Business Network program. He noted that the 2nd year of

the program now has a goal of 20 businesses and a new deadline of December 2023. This will mean a shorter time frame to get more businesses. He asked the committee for assistance in getting the word out about the program. Vice Chair Zupo asked if the City could promote the program on the City's website. Director Sassoon mentioned that the information regarding CAGBN is available on the website, but the City will push the information to the forefront to make it more visible to the readers. Member Sutherland mentioned that she will work with Martha Segovia to get the schools certified.

- c. Imperial Highway Green Infrastructure Project Update: Director Sassoon informed the committee that a meeting was held on 2/28/2023 where Senior Civil Engineer, Cheryl Ebert, attended and publicly commented on the City's support for the project. The IHGI Project was unanimously approved by the Santa Monica Watershed Area Steering Committee. The project will now go to the Regional Oversight Committee, then the LA County Board of Supervisors before it is officially approved. Director Sassoon mentioned that the City's contribution will only be \$500K.
- d. AQMD/LADPH Town Hall Proposal: Director Sassoon reported that the City Manager has decided to defer the town hall meeting for now and they will revisit when the City and AQMD have more resources to contribute. The City will be focusing on legislation for now. Councilmember Baldino added that he has been in constant communication with LA County Supervisor, Holly Mitchell, and reaffirmed the committee that the town hall is on Representative Mitchell's list, but they are focusing on communication and legislation first before they move forward with the town hall.
- e. Scattergood Presentation Plan: Director Sassoon reported that Scattergood will be coming to the Environmental Committee meeting on 4/7/2023 to discuss their plan to transition from natural gas to hydrogen and the potential effects on their air quality. Chair Miller-Zarneke asked the members to get their questions prepared for the discussion next month.

6. REPORTS: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

a. Environmental Work Plan: Chair Miller-Zarneke went around the room and asked each member to provide their top 3 ideas that they would like for the committee to focus on. Chair Miller-Zarneke asked the members to review all items discussed and choose which ideas they want to prioritize, the discussion of which will continue into the next meeting.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes for February 3, 2023 meeting. Member Butler moved to approve. Member Sutherland seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Closing announcement: Next meeting will be held in person on April 7, 2023, at noon, in the Executive Conference Room. Meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m.