



MINUTES
COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT
WORKSHOP
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016
6:00 PM
COMMUNITY ROOM
420 CAPITOLA AVENUE, CAPITOLA, CA 95010

Kristin Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Jacques Bertrand, Amie Forest, Kailash Mozumder, Peter Wilk, and Chair Kristin Sullivan

City Staff Present: Steve Jesberg, Danielle Uharriet

DISCUSSION

a. Climate Action Plan Update

Steve Jesberg provided a brief update. Community Development Department (CDD) staff is working on updating the Green Building ordinance and implementation standards. CDD staff may bring a presentation to the COE in mid-spring.

Peter Wilk stated the COE was working on a checklist to encourage use of the HERO Program benefits.

Danielle Uharriet will provide copies of the existing checklists.

Jacques Bertrand and Peter Wilk attended the Central Coast Regional Collaborative in San Luis Obispo. Jacques was appointed to a subcommittee for the region.

Peter Wilk attended a local climate change meeting with Ross Clark, City of Santa Cruz presenting a PowerPoint Presentation on sea level rise. Peter suggested the COE invite Mr. Clark to show the presentation, and then recommend the presentation to the City Council. The information could also be added to the COE website.

Kristin Sullivan suggested that the COE begin a public lecture series and invite Ross Clark.

Steve Jesberg stated Rich Grunow is the lead for the city for presentations and action pertaining to sea level rise and climate action.

Kristin Sullivan requested the opportunity to review applicable environmental sections of the Zoning Ordinance update.

b. Commission Work Plan

Kristin Sullivan commented staff had provided the work plans for the Climate Action Plan Assistance and City Procurement. She requested that staff provide copies of the city's procurement policies for discussion.

a. Website Progress

Kailash Mozumder gave a brief update for the website. Amie Forest asked Kristin Sullivan for assistance with the healthy food section. Kristin Sullivan suggested looking at a farmer's market. Staff will provide the contact information from the organizer of the mall farmer's market.

b. Eco-walk

Kristin stated that in the past there was an eco-tour. Kristin Sullivan will provide staff with materials, maps and photos from the previous project, and would like to include the tour in the Natural Spaces on the website.

c. Peery Park Update

Peter Wilk gave an update of Work Day #1. He wanted to complete Area A and then approach the City Council to request funding to hire assistance for the remainder of the project. He announced Work Day #2 will be held on Saturday, March 5th.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Rich Grunow will attend the next meeting to give an update on the Green Building, Climate Action Plan, and sea level rise

Zoning Ordinance Update-Environmental Sections

Work Plan Update:

Procurement Policies

Website

Peery Park

Eco Walk

Farmers Market

ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned to a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2016.

Approved at the meeting of March 23, 2016



Danielle Uharriet
Environmental Projects Manager