



**Town of Atherton  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**JANUARY 17, 2019**

**1:30 p.m.**

**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

94 ASHFIELD ROAD  
ATHERTON, CALIFORNIA

**REGULAR MEETING**

**1. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Holly Joseph  
Valerie Gardner  
Janet Larson  
William Grove

**Absent:** Jasenka Rakas  
Elizabeth Lewis

**Staff Present:** Stephanie Bertollo-Davis, Senior Planner  
Nestor Delgado, Assistant Planner

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**3. COMMITTEE AND STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Staff presented letter received from Atherton resident regarding tree trimming during winter months.

Staff informed the Committee the Town of Atherton has been recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency for its purchasing of renewable energy for municipal buildings above the required state standard.

Committee member Gardner noted reports released regarding the severity of climate change effects.

The Committee directed staff to add the topic of global climate change to a future meeting agenda.

**4. REGULAR AGENDA**

**A. Approval of the Minutes from November 15, 2018 Meeting**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

**M/S Grove/Gardner Aye: 3            Noes: 0            Excused: 2**

**B. Discussion on Revising Resolution No. 18-11 Governing Committees to Consider Increasing Number of Appointed EPC Members**

Sustainability Coordinator Delgado noted members terming out in June 2019.

The Committee motioned to move the discussion to a future EPC meeting when there was a full quorum.

**C. Potential 2019 Earth Day Event**

Sustainability Coordinator Delgado presented the memo.

Chair Joseph noted efforts to find a movie to screen were proving difficult, and the efforts were now focused on hosting a speaker/discussion event. She also discussed the air and water monitors potentially creating a student challenge type event.

Committee Member Larson mentioned the student challenge could be presented to teachers at the end of the school year in order to potentially start the challenge in the fall term.

Committee Member Gardner requested staff look into possibility of getting an air quality monitor from the regional Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

The Committee discussed potential speakers and venues for a symposium.

The Committee directed staff to meet with EPC Event Ad Hoc Subcommittee to begin planning efforts for a symposium.

**5. SET/ CONFIRM NEXT MEETING**

The Committee will hold a special meeting on February 21st, 2019 from 1:30 – 3:30 in the Town Council Chambers to further discuss a 2019 EPC sponsored event.

**6. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.