



MINUTES
Town of Atherton
Environmental Programs Committee
SEPTEMBER 16, 2021
RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING

Chair Conn called the meeting to order at 1:11 pm.

1:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

1. ROLL CALL

Committee Members: Carrico, Conn, Holland, Loew, Spezzaferro – *Present*

Council Member Liaison: Hawkins-Manuelian – *Present*

Staff: City Manager Rodericks, Sustainability Coordinator Kim, City Clerk Suber – *Present*

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *None*

3. APPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR THE JULY 21, 2021, MEETING

MOTION by Holland, Second by Spezzaferro to approve the meeting minutes from July 21, 2021.

AYES: Carrico, Holland, Loew, Spezzaferro, Chair Conn

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

4. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS

a. Update on Leaf Blower Ordinance – Oral Report Only

City Manager Rodericks and Council Member Hawkins-Manuelian presented an update on the City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

b. Update on Reach Codes – Oral Report Only

City Manager Rodericks Provided an update and discussed the upcoming report to the City Council. Committee Member Holland planned to attend that meeting and comment on behalf of the Committee.

Committee Member Holland provided an update and shared planned recommendations from Town staff. She noted that the intention was to share with Council that the Committees preference would be for the *All-Electric* option.

c. Update on Sustainability Website Revisions – Oral Report Only

Chair Conn and Committed Member Holland reported out on their progress with revisions and updates in collaboration with staff.

5. RECEIVE A REPORT FROM CALWATER REGARDING WATER CONSERVATION INITIATIVES, PROGRAMS AND GOALS

Conservation Coordinator, Susan Cordone and District Manager, Dawn Smithson from CalWater shared a presentation that reviewed issues with drought / water shortages in the area, conservation and incentive programs.

Committee Members held a discussion related to the available programs, how best to share the information with residents, and other water conservation related topics.

This was an informational item only.

6. RECEIVE A REPORT FROM SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR REGARDING THE TOWN'S CLIMATE ACTION PLAN AND THE PROGRESS TOWARDS THE 2020 GOALS

Sustainability Consultant Kim shared a presentation with an update on the Town's Climate Action Plan and progress towards its goals.

The Committee discussed some factors included in the reduction figures and the primary contributing methods for accomplishing the targeted reduction goals.

This was an informational item only and will return for discussion at future meetings.

7. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

The Committee proposed discussing Earth Day planning for 2022 to develop a proposal with a budget at the next meeting.

City Manager Rodericks noted that partnering with the San Mateo County Atherton Library Branch may be a way to get an increased budget.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE CONFIRMATION – November 18, 2021, at 1:00 PM

9. ADJOURN

Chair Conn adjourned the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

Anthony Suber
City Clerk