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# San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Citizens' Advisory Committee

**MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, July 19, 2016** 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 525 Golden Gate Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Tuolumne Conference Room

Members:

Wendy Aragon, Chair (D1)

Suki Kott (D2)

Leslie DeTaillandier (D3)

Amy Zock (D4)

Ted Loewenberg (D5)

Mark Connors (D6)

Kelly Groth (D7)

Shalini Swaroop (D8)

VACANT (D9)

Marjorie Goodwin (D10)

Jennifer Clary (D11)

VACANT (M-Env. Group)

Owen O'Donnell (B-Small Business)

Customers)

VACANT (B-Env Justice)

Nicole Sandkulla - (M-Reg'l Water

Rebecca Lee, (M-Eng./Financial)

Tamar Barlev (M-Lg Water User)

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment

Staff Liaison: Tracy Zhu and Afrodita Lopez

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call to order and roll call: The meeting was call to order at: 5:35 pm

Members present at roll call: (9) Aragon, DeTaillandier, Zock, Connors, Groth, Swaroop, Lee, Barlev, O'Donnell

Members absent at roll call: (5) Kott, Loewenberg, Clary, Sandkulla, Goodwin

2. Approval of the June 21, 2016 meeting minutes

Motion was made (O'Donnell) and seconded (Groth) to approve the June 21, **2016** meeting minutes.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: (9) NOES: (0) ABSENT: (4)

Public comment: None

Member Clary arrives at: 5:37 pm. (10 members present)

3. Public Comment: none.

4. Report from the Chair - Wendy Aragon, Chair

Welcome members, staff, and the public

Art Taylor has resigned from the CAC. We are currently looking for a new member to fill the District 9 seat.

Edwin M. Lee Mayor

Francesca Vietor President

> **Anson Moran** Vice President

Ann Moller Caen Commissioner

Vince Courtney Commissioner

> Ike Kwon Commissioner

Harlan L. Kelly, Jr. General Manager



 Report back from <u>Inaugural Annual CAC Leadership Retreat on Full</u> CAC and Subcommittee Priorities for 2016-17

Public comment: None

- 5. **Presentation and Discussion:** Green Infrastructure Overview and Update, Rosey Jencks and Sarah Minick, Urban Watershed Management Program
  - Green Infrastructure Definition & Examples
  - Green Infrastructure Solutions
  - Low impact design & Green Infrastructure
  - Green Infrastructure Strategy
  - SFPUC'S Approach for Green Infrastructure
  - Green infrastructure Early Implementation
  - Stormwater Management Ordinance (SMO)
  - Water Stewardship Grant Program
  - San Francisco GI Projects & Programs
  - Policies & Programs: Outreach & Education
  - Green Infrastructure... Programmatic Strategies
  - Urban Watershed Assessment Next Steps
  - UWA Green Infrastructure Recommended Strategy
  - Watershed Grants | GI Grants Program
  - Guidance | GI Technical Assistance Program
  - Training | Blue-Green Academy for GI
  - GI Strategy: SSIP Phase I
  - Next Steps for CAC Participation

## Topics of discussion:

- General discussion on the MS4 and CSS zones of the city Member Lee and O'Donnell
- General discussion on the percentage of stormwater that green infrastructure prevents from entering the wastewater system in a typical citywide storm – Member O'Donnell
- General discussion on the performance of older projects and their ability to divert stormwater – Member Barlev
- General discussion on if green infrastructure is working with community improvements districts – Member Kott
- General discussion on the collection of data on the cost for labor associated with maintenance on the green infrastructure projects – Member Barley
- General discussion on how much stormwater flows off city parks and ends in the sewer and if there is way to work with Rec and Park to make sure that no runoff from city parks doesn't enter the sewer system – member O'Donnell
- General discussion on the role of Department of Public Works and Sustainable Streets efforts in reducing runoff from city streets – Member Clary and Barlev
- General discussion on role of green infrastructure in reducing flooding: is there a ranking of priorities and projects that target flood prone areas? – Member Lee
- General discussion on PUC's investments
- General discussion on examples or pilots of encouraging stormwater collection – Member Barlev

- General discussion on infiltration of water from green infrastructure that might potentially enter people's basements that might be addressed by the Water Enterprise's dewatering efforts or the stormwater management design guidelines – Member Lee
- General discussion on interagency efforts to encourage other agencies to reduce runoff from their surfaces, for example schools, parks, and streets – Member Clary
- General discussion on standardized design guidelines for street medians: urban retrofits versus developing new streets on redevelopment areas – Member Clary
- General discussion on definition of green infrastructure that over emphasizes rainwater as wastewater – Member Clary
- General compliments to presenters for their great work Member Groth

## Information requests:

- Member Barlev examples and case studies on how other cities are implementing green infrastructure and what is the PUC sharing with other cities
- Member Connor what efforts are happening on Treasure Island?
- Schedule a walking tour that highlights Green Infrastructure with staff

#### Public comment: none

# 6. Staff Report

 Please complete <u>Community Benefits survey</u> due July 27 in order to provide your feedback on the community benefits program. Over 1,000 surveys from external stakeholders have already been collected.

### Public comment: None

## 7. Future Agenda Items and Resolutions

- Resource Recovery (August)
- Sunshine Ordinance and Public Meeting Laws training (August)
- Commissioner Update from Ike Kwon (September)
- Mountain Tunnel (tentative September)
- Stormwater Cost Allocation (tentative Fall)
- Southeast Community Facility and Greenhouses Outreach Update (tentative - Fall)
- General discussion on CAC members attending existing neighborhood and community meetings to talk about SFPUC and CAC efforts
- General discussion on clarifying the language on the website regarding CleanPowerSF enrollment

#### Public comment: None

- 8. **Announcements/Comments** The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Full CAC will take place at our regularly scheduled time on Tuesday, August 16, 2016.
  - Member Connors announced that the next Power CAC meeting on August 9 will focus on the Treasure Island electric infrastructure and will be webcasted.

Public comment: None

# 9. Adjournment

Motion was made (Swaroop) and seconded (Clary) to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at: 6:55 pm.

