



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

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MEETING MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS: March 16, 2016

Chair: Soriano (Absent) Vice Chair Budica lead meeting
Others Present: Sheldon, Killey, Nicolson, Coffman
Absent: 3 Vacancies
City Staff: Graham
Commission: None
Council Members: Delgleize
Public: Shawn Thompson, Kylee Tague, Comunidad Members: Victor, Oscar, and Antonio.
Speaker: None

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:22 p.m. Vice-Chair Budica lead meeting. Sheldon pointed out that meeting room on agenda is different from meeting location. Signs placed on Room B directing attendees to Room E.

II. Review of February Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Nicolson, seconded by Coffman. Remaining members voted to approve.

III. Public Comments

A-1. Speaker: Three members from Oakview community representing Comunidad attended and are interested in learning about Environmental Board. Victor is interested in applying.

IV. Action Items

A. Environmental Impact Report (EIRs)

A-1. Deadline to comment on Delaware Street residential project passed, but Board will still submit letter.

A-2. Since EIR's may require review in between EB meetings, an ad hoc committee was formed and consists of Budica, Killey and Nicolson to review the next EIR.

V. Committee Updates

A. Executive Committee

A-1. On March 4, Kirsten Graham (Energy and Sustainability Intern for the City of Huntington Beach) and Mark Sheldon attended tour of Rainbow Environmental Services which consisted of a presentation from Jeff Snow and a tour of the facility.

B. Resource Management Committee

B-1. Battery Recycling at City Facilities: Huntington Beach Library and staff from the City Manager's Office met with Call2Recycle battery recycling organization to discuss drop off locations. The program requires staffing to accept and sort batteries so recommendation is to have drop off location at City Hall in Administration on 4th floor in City Hall where an intern could collect recyclable batteries. If non-recyclable batteries are received, then literature about OC HHW drop off locations will be given out. Program requires Call2Recycle application and city manager approval which is currently underway.

B-2. Organic Waste Legislation: State is moving forward with AB 1826 implementation in April.

Ocean Debris & Water Quality Committee

C-1. Surfrider Beach Clean-up: Coast Keeper Clean-up on April 2, Surfrider Clean-up on March 26, Harbor Clean-up on April 3, Ohana Day with Beach Clean-up in Seal Beach on April 16 with free booths for Huntington Beach businesses.

C-2. Adopt a Channel: Coffman is looking to have representative from Orange County as a speaker for June. The first area for clean-up/adoption is at the McArthur/Talbert area along Santa Ana River with a focus on trash clean-up and graffiti abatement. Other creeks in Orange County have sponsors, but this will be the first on the Santa Ana River. Surfrider is going to pay for the sponsorship in this area and would like to partner with the City of Huntington Beach by adding their logo to the sponsorship sign. Coffman asked that the Environmental Board send a letter recommending the partnership. Coffman will write the letter and forward to executive board for approval.

C-3. Ocean Debris Coastal Waste Containers: The drop off bins at 11th street have had the rolling lids installed. For the remaining beach areas, the city has receive 450 lids for the machine dumped cans and will begin installation the weekend of March 18 if the hardware is received. An additional 100 lids for the rest of the beach cans are awaiting finance approval and will then be placed on order.

D. Natural Environment

D-1. Orange County River Park: An EB goal is to complete a park clean-up. No dates in April worked for everyone so Killey to contact Janeen Laudenback at the City to discuss what parks would be best for a clean-up. Budica made motion for Killey to contact the Community Services Director, Janeen Laudenback to coordinate a clean-up which was seconded by Killey. Board voted and approved.

D-2. Central Park: Cherry Blossom Festival 3/20, Ladybug Story time 3/29, Spring into Reading Celebration 4/30.

E. Energy Issues

E-1. EPIC Challenge: Grant Application Submitted and awaiting acceptance.

VI. Administrative Items

A. Environmental Board Tour Schedule: Upcoming tours on 3/26 and 4/1 are full.

B. New Member Appointments: Applicants have been vetted by city council liaisons for the board openings. Two applicants are going to be presented to city council for approval on April 4, 2016. A third opening is available and applications are being accepted until **March 18**.

VII. Environmental Board Requests

A. Speaker Requests: Terri Elliot to discuss water quality and grants. Ocean Defender

B. Field Trips: Banning Ranch, Algeria Fresh micro-farm, Bolsa Chica Wetlands, Desalination Plant (Carlsbad not ready, possibly Catalina)

C. Agenda Requests:

VIII. Environmental Board Comments

A. Waste Not OC has a great program for aligning food rescue opportunities, but no locations in Huntington Beach. Killey asked to add to agenda to brainstorm some ideas.

B. Anti-litter campaign is a goal of the EB which Nicolson and Budica would like added to the agenda to discuss.

C. Request for Speaker: Judy Marquez from Surfrider who manages the Ocean Friendly Restaurants campaign and was formerly a HB employee.

D. Huntington Beach Sustainable Business Certification program is in the approval process. City will reach out to Ocean Friendly restaurants to be a part of the certification.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.