



MINUTES
COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015
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

Commissioners Absent: None

City Staff Present: Steve Jesberg, Danielle Uharriet

Community Members Present: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Amy Forest commented that PG&E has a recent proposal that would increase the cost to install and maintain solar; it's our responsibility to stand up against that. She showed the progress on the website development.

Jacques Bertrand handed out an article on net zero energy.

Kristin Sullivan announced that she will be attending a Global Climate Summit in Paris next month.

Peter Wilk inquired on the progress of changes to the green building ordinance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kristin Sullivan made a motion to approve the September 23, 2015 meeting minutes. Amie Forest seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0, Kailash Mozumder abstained.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Peery Park Vegetation Presentation and Discussion

George McMenamin, riparian restoration consultant, gave a detailed presentation on the proposed plan for English Ivy removal in Peery Park.

Kristin Sullivan made a motion to approve the Peery Park Invasive Plan Removal Enhancement Plan.

Peter Wilk seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

The plan will be presented to the City Council at the November 24, 2015 meeting.

2. Climate Action Plan Update

Danielle Uharriet stated that the City Council adopted the Climate Action Plan on October 22, 2015.

3. Approval of the 2016 Meeting Schedule

The Commission unanimously approved the 2016 meeting schedule.

4. Proposed December 23, 2015 meeting cancellation.

The Commission concurred to reschedule the December 23rd meeting to Thursday, December 17, 2015.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Green Building Ordinance presentation or Work Plan

ADJOURNMENT: The Commission adjourned to a Workshop Meeting on Thursday, December 17, 2015.

Approved at the meeting of January 27, 2016



Danielle Uharriet
Environmental Projects Manager