

**SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**  
**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**  
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October 15, 2013  
5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

**MEETING AGENDA**



Palm Springs City Hall  
City Council Chambers  
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92264

**COMMISSIONERS**

<b>Brett Klein, Chair</b>	<b>Kate Castle, Vice Chair</b>
<b>Travis Armstrong</b>	<b>Brielle McNeel</b>
<b>Thom Bettinger</b>	<b>Mark Polischak</b>
<b>Joseph Jackson</b>	<b>Grant Wilson</b>
<b>Paul J. McCreesh</b>	<b>Victor Yepello</b>

Staff representatives: Michele Mician MS, Manager, Office of Sustainability  
Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator

*City of Palm Springs Vision Statement: Palm Springs aspires to be a unique world-class desert community, where residents and visitors enjoy our high quality of life and a relaxing experience. We desire to balance our cultural and historical resources with responsible, sustainable economic growth and enhance our natural desert beauty. We are committed to providing responsive, friendly, and efficient customer service in an environment that fosters unity among all our citizens.*

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This time has been set aside for members of the public to address the Sustainability Commission on Agenda items and items of general interest within the subject matter within jurisdiction of the City. Although the Sustainability Commission values your comments, pursuant to the Brown Act, it generally cannot take any action on items not listed on the posted Agenda. Three (3) minutes are assigned for each speaker.

**A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS (5 MINUTES)**

**B. PRESENTATIONS (20 MINUTES)**

1. Diana Shay, City of Palm Springs, Redevelopment Coordinator, Fashion Plaza Tree Relocation Plan
2. Jenna LeComte-Hinely, PhD: Director of Research & Evaluation  
Eileen Packer, RD, CAE: Chief Executive Officer  
Health Assessment Resource Center Services and Community Health Monitor

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5 MINUTES)**

1. September 18, 2013, Regular Meeting

**D. SUSTAINABILITY MANAGERS REPORT (10 MINUTES)**

1. Bike Rack Hosting and Sponsorship Program
2. 2014 Mayor's Healthy Planet, Healthy You Race
3. Community Garden Request for Proposals
4. Southern California Association of Governments Grant Awards
5. Institute of Local Government Beacon Awards and Climate Registry Cool Planet Awards

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**(5 MINUTES)**

1. Sustainability Commission Recommendation on Fashion Plaza Tree Relocation  
**RECOMMENDATION:** MOTION TO FUND FASHION PLAZA TREE LOCATION PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,000 FROM ACCOUNT #138-1270-42691.
2. Sustainability Commission Position on Urban Chicken Keeping  
**RECOMMENDATION:** MOVE ITEM TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS SUBCOMMITTEE FOR REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION AT NOVEMBER MEETING
3. Funding for 1 (one) Staff and 1 Commissioner to attend the California by Bike Summit November 7-10, 2013 in Oakland, CA  
**RECOMMENDATION:** MOTION TO APPROVE FUNDING NOT TO EXCEED \$2500.00 FOR SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ATTENDANCE AT THE CALIFORNIA BY BIKE SUMMIT.
4. Sustainability Commission Statement on Artificial Turf  
**RECOMMENDATION:** MOVE ITEM TO WATER SUBCOMMITTEE FOR PREPERATION OF STATEMENT AND MOTION TO BE ADOPTED AT NOVEMBER MEETING

**F. OLD BUSINESS**

**(45 MINUTES)**

1. January – April 2014 Sustainability Film Series Proposed Dates, Commissioner Bettinger
2. Education Subcommittee, Commissioner McNeel
3. Green Building/ Solar Subcommittee, Commissioner McCreesh
4. Wellness Subcommittee, Commissioner Jackson
5. Waste Reduction Subcommittee, Vice Chair Castle
6. Water Subcommittee, Commissioner Yepello
7. Non-Motorized Transportation Subcommittee, Chair Klein
8. Confirmation of Sustainability Commission Subcommittees, Chair Klein

**G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**(10 MINUTES)**

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Sustainability Commission will adjourn to the amended date for the Regular Meeting, which will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2013 in the Large Conference Room at City Hall. The Sustainability Commission's normal meeting schedule is at 5 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

**THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND**

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, Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager