



**SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**  
**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**

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**April 19, 2016**  
**5:00 PM**

**REGULAR**  
**MEETING AGENDA**

**Palm Springs City Hall**  
**Large Conference Room**  
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92264

**COMMISSIONERS**

<b>Joe Jackson- Chair</b>	<b>Grant Wilson, Vice Chair</b>
<b>Travis Armstrong</b>	<b>Tara Lazar</b>
<b>Thom Bettinger</b>	<b>Robert McCann</b>
<b>Nancy Ferguson</b>	<b>Nate Otto</b>
<b>David Freedman</b>	<b>Mark Polischak</b>

Staff representatives: Michele Mician, Sustainability Manager  
Dan DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant  
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**

**CITY MANAGER AND ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This time is 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. The Commission values your comments but, pursuant to the Brown Act, cannot take action on items not listed on the posted Agenda. Three (3) minutes for each speaker.

**A. PRESENTATIONS**

**(20 MINUTES)**

1. Councilman Kors to discuss CVAG and the Salton Sea
2. California FIRST Program for Property Assessed Clean Energy

**B. MEETING MINUTES**

**(5 MINUTES)**

1. March 5, 2016 Meeting Minutes approval
2. March 15, 2016 Meeting Minutes approval

**C. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT**

**(5 MINUTES)**

Vice Chair Aiello, Parks and Recreation and Commissioner Armstrong, Liaison

**D. RECYCLING REPORT, Gary Calhoun**

**(10 MINUTES)**

1. Update on Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Reporting Process

**E. SUSTAINABILITY MANAGERS REPORT, Michele Mician**

**(15 MINUTES)**

1. Recognition of Green Citizen Award Winner, Mary Brent Wehrli
2. CaliforniaFIRST PACE Program proposal

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3. Resignation of Commissioner Polischak and open seats
4. Palm Springs Public Library Family Fun Fest results
5. Sustainability Film Series Attendance
6. Sustainability Master Plan and Council Presentation

**F. OLD BUSINESS**

**(5 MINUTES)**

1. Chair appointment of Sustainability Commission Liaison to Planning Commission and Architectural Advisory Commission
2. Open Streets Event Date Set for May 6, 2017

**G. NEW BUSINESS**

**(10 MINUTES)**

1. Creation of Subcommittee for emerging issues
2. Goals and Scheduling Policy Recommendations to Council for 2016-2020
  - i. Multi Family Recycling
  - ii. Product Stewardship
  - iii. Pesticide Policy
  - iv. No Idling Policy
  - v. Tree Protection Ordinance
  - vi. Mandatory Green Building Practices

**H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**(30 MINUTES)**

1. Water Conservation Subcommittee, Commissioner Freedman
2. Outreach Subcommittee, Commissioner Lazar
  - a. New branding and logos
3. Green Building/Solar Subcommittee, Commissioners Otto and Freedman
4. Waste Reduction Subcommittee, Commissioner Polischak
5. Wellness Subcommittee, Chair Jackson
6. Active Transportation Subcommittee, Commissioner Ferguson

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**(5 MINUTES)**

**J. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourns to a Regular Meeting, held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 in the City Hall Large Conference Room. The Sustainability Commission's meeting schedule is at 5 p.m. the third Tuesday each month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I, Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager of the City of Palm Springs, California, certify this Agenda was posted at or before 6:00 p.m. on April 10, 2016, as required by established policies and procedures.



Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager

Santiago Resort  
650 East San Lorenzo Rd.  
Palm Springs, CA 92264  
March 29, 2016

Mayor Robert Moon  
City of Palm Springs  
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92264

Dear Mayor Moon:

My company, Santiago Resort, is located at 650 East San Lorenzo Rd. and respectfully requests that the City of Palm Springs consider and adopt the CaliforniaFIRST Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program. PACE is enabled by state law; however, the law requires that the local government opt into the program. Dozens of cities and counties around the state have already done so, so I am requesting that your City of Palm Springs opt in as well.

With the CaliforniaFIRST PACE program, small and medium businesses like mine will be able to invest in energy efficiency and solar upgrades without high upfront cost. Private sources of capital provide funding for PACE and are repaid through an assessment on a property's tax bill.

With the California FIRST PACE program, we will likely be able to reduce and predict our energy costs, which is an enormous benefit to us, our customers and the economy of City of Palm Springs.

Thank you for your consideration. Please consider adopting this important program as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:  
*Fredrick Ross*  
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Santiago Resort



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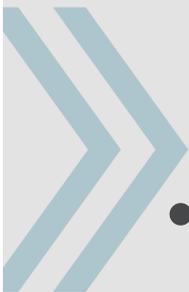
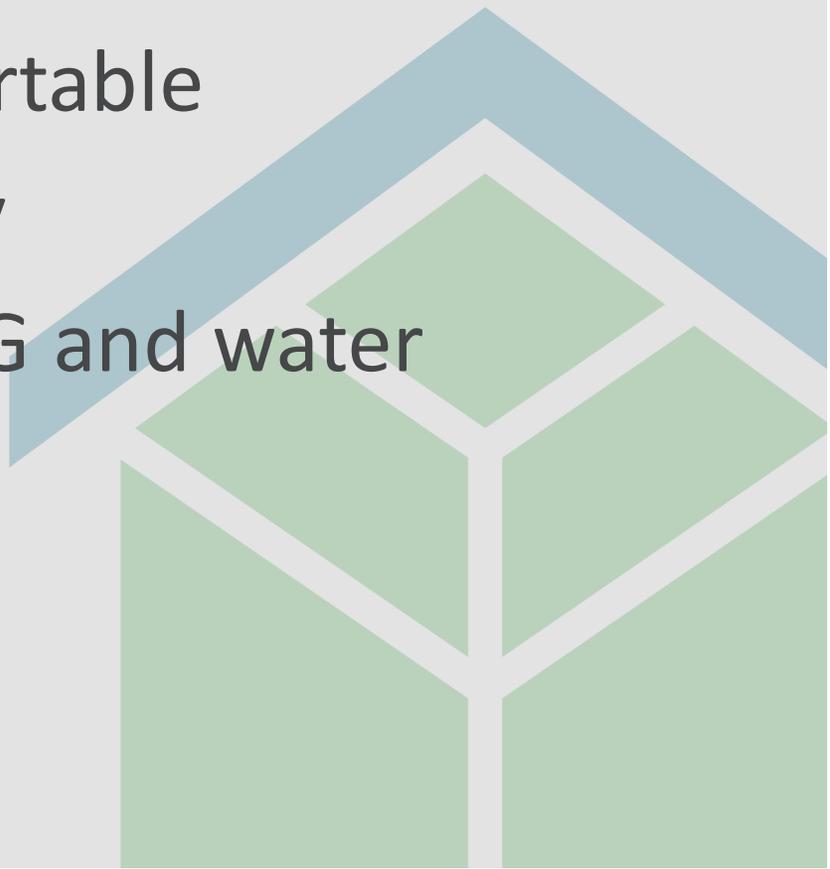
# Residential and Commercial **PACE Financing**

April 19, 2016

# Background

- Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)
- Financing for renewable energy, energy efficiency and water conservation projects
- Residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, non-profit
- Assessment placed on property and repayed through property tax bills

# Benefits of PACE

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- Helps property owners reduce their utility bills
  - Increases energy and water efficiency
  - Makes homes more comfortable
  - Improves indoor air quality
  - Helps cities meet their GHG and water reduction mandates
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# PACE Competition

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- Best Public Policy – Competitive PACE marketplace (PACE providers compete for business by improving services and reducing interest rates)
  - Cities are joining new PACE programs to give property owners more choices
  - CVAG Recently added CaliforniaFIRST to its regional PACE program to provide more PACE options for the region
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# PACE Program Sponsors

Joint Powers Authority → PACE Program

1. Coachella Valley Association of Governments → Ygrene
2. Western Riverside Council of Governments → HERO
3. California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) → CaliforniaFIRST

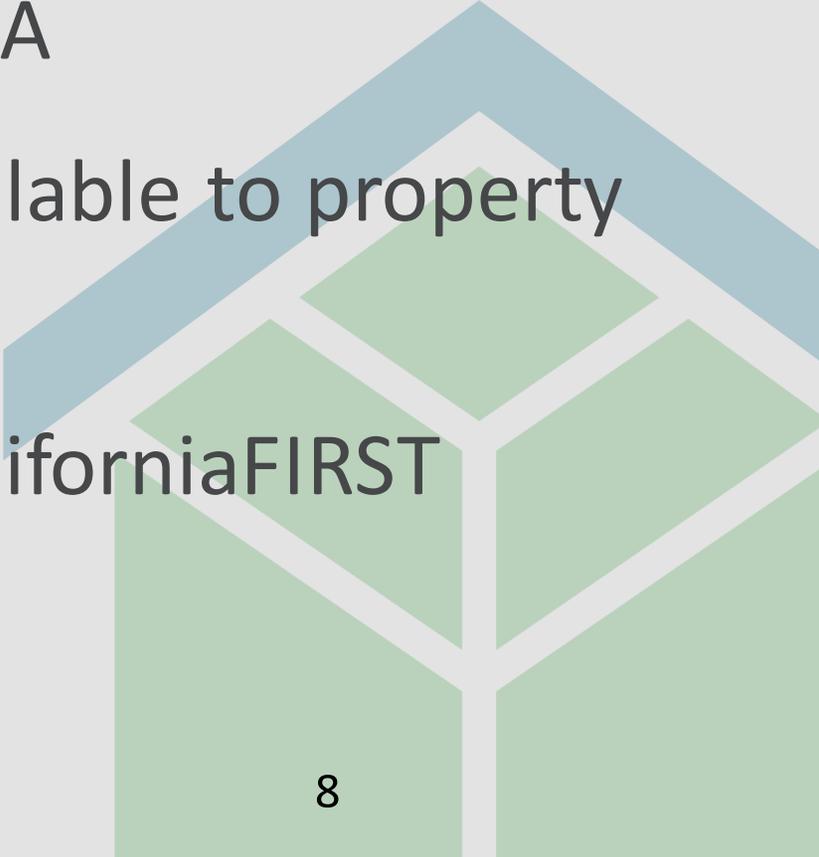
# CaliforniaFIRST Impact

- Available in over 320 communities in 39 counties (including Riverside County and City of Palm Desert)
- Approved Applications - 16,400 for \$475,898,064
- Jobs Created (Direct, Indirect and Induced) - 1,719
- GHG Reduction - 9,096 tons
- Water Conserved - 8,897,067 gallons
- Sum of Cars Off the Road - 1,918

# Consumer Protections

- CSCDA has strongest consumer protection policy in the state
- Same Policy as CVAG and WRCOG
  - All participating contractors certified
  - All eligible products meet efficiency and performance standards
  - Third-party quality assurance check with process for putting contractors on probation
  - Dispute resolution process
  - No prepayment penalty

# How to Opt Into CaliforniaFIRST

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- Join by passing a resolution
  - No cost to the City of Palm Springs
  - Already a member of CSCDA
  - Financing immediately available to property owners
  - No public funds used in CaliforniaFIRST

# Thank You



California**FIRST**<sup>TM</sup>  
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Regional PACE Director  
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**Sustainability Commission**

**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**



**MEETING MINUTES**

Saturday March 5, 2016  
Desert Healthcare District Offices, 1140 N. Indian Canyon Drive  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room, Palm Springs, CA 92262

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at **10:13 a.m.**

**ROLL CALL:** A quorum was present for this Regular Meeting of the City of Palm Springs Sustainability Commission.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** The agenda was presented by Sustainability Manager Mician. A motion to approve as presented was unanimously carried.

	<u>This Meeting</u>	<u>Present to Date</u>	<u>FY 2015/2016 Excused Absences</u>	<u>FY 2015/2016 Unexcused Absences</u>
Thom Bettinger	X	43		
Joe Jackson	X	34		
Grant Wilson	X	36	1	
Mark Polischak	E	29	2	
Travis Armstrong	X	30	1	
Tara Lazar	E	16	3	
Nate Otto	X	18		
David Freedman	X	9		
Nancy Ferguson	X	8		
Robert McCann	X	1		

X = Present  
L = Late

E = Excused (notified Chair and Staff of absence)  
U = did not notify of absence

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Michele Mician MS, Manager, Office of Sustainability  
Dan DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant

**City Council Liaisons:** Mayor Rob Moon and Councilmember Geoff Kors

**1. MEET AND GREET**

Commission members, Liaisons and City Staff were introduced and exchanged greetings.

**2. JOINT COUNCIL SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

A. Mission

B. Ice Breaker

Commissioners, liaisons and City staff gave their answer to one of the following questions:

I became a sustainability commissioner because...

The best project I ever worked on was ...

When people ask me about the Sustainability Commission, I tell them...

Comments included: more diverse input from the community, EEMIS energy management, Dark Sky Ordinance, bike share, grey water, LEED certified

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- homes, “Micro-ecology”, getting new sustainability laws and policies passed, getting other Coachella Valley cities involved in Sustainability, solar energy, Sustainability Master Plan, growing food, utilizing native foods, paperless society, synchronizing traffic lights, train schedule from Los Angeles to Palm Springs, integrated pest management, idling policy, producer responsibility for packaging recycling, condo/apartment recycling bins, conservation restoration, short and long term goals, air quality management.
- C. Council Member Comments and Vision  
Council Member Kors requested a joint Study Session with the City Council and the Sustainability Commission.  
Council Member Kors also suggested that there be a liaison or delegate from the Sustainability Commission to the Planning Commission and the Architectural Advisory Committee.
3. SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN OVERVIEW
- A. Detail review  
Manager Mician gave an overview of the new plan and gave a report on the accomplishments of the prior plan.
- B. Changes/Comments  
Commissioners and Manager Mician went through the new plan page by page and made changes to better represent the ideas for adoption by the City Council.
- C. Scheduling Final Plan for City Council Adoption  
Suggested changes will be implemented into the Plan and will be presented at the next Commission Meeting on March 15, 2016 for approval and submission to the City Council for adoption.
4. BUDGET REVIEW  
Manager Mician presented the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Sustainability Department Budget. Commissioner comments and questions were discussed.
5. TEAM BUILDING EXERCISE  
Commissioners and staff expressed their one quality or skill that they bring to the Commission. Due to time constraints, the complete Team Building Exercise was unable to be completed.
6. CLOSING COMMENTS  
We all bring something different to the table and are willing to serve.
7. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Commissioner Freedman and seconded by Commissioner McCann to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m. by Chair Jackson to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday March 15, 2016, at 5 PM in the Large Conference Room at City Hall.

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, Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager

## Sustainability Commission

### CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA



#### MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 15, 2016  
Palm Springs City Hall, Large Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at **5:00** p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Councilmember McCann

**ROLL CALL:** A quorum was present for this Regular Meeting of the City of Palm Springs Sustainability Commission.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** The agenda was presented by Sustainability Manager Mician. A motion to approve by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Lazar and unanimously carried.

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Nancy Ferguson	L	10		
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**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Michele Mician MS, Manager, Office of Sustainability  
Dan DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant  
Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator

**CITY MANAGER AND ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT - None**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

#### A. PRESENTATIONS

1. Welcome New Commissioner McCann – Commissioner McCann was introduced at the March 5, 2016 Special Meeting. No further comments were given.
2. Palm Springs Public Library Family Fun Fest (3/23) and Summer Reading Program  
Julie Warren, Library Services & Public Relations Manager reported on the Family Fun Fest and the Summer reading program. The theme for the program is “Read for the Win” and she requested that the Sustainability Commission fund a request for 3 bicycles as prizes. Questions and comments from Commissioners were discussed.

#### B. MEETING MINUTES

1. February 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Freedman motioned to approve minutes as amended, second by Commissioner Bettinger. Approved unanimously with Commissioner Lazar abstaining.

**C. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT**

Vice Chair Aiello, Parks and Recreation and Commissioner Armstrong, Liaison

Commissioner Armstrong reported that a subcommittee has been created for Pesticide Reduction and that he and Commissioner Armstrong will be on the Committee. Also, discussion about the maintenance of the dog park.

**D. RECYCLING REPORT, Gary Calhoun**

1. Update on Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Reporting Process

Recycling Coordinator Calhoun reported on tonnage reports and multi-family recycling efforts.

A report on mattress recycling was also presented.

Questions and comments from Commissioners were discussed.

**E. SUSTAINABILITY MANAGERS REPORT, Michele Mician**

1. Sustainability Master Plan and Council Presentation

Manager Mician reported that the deadline for the SCAG contract has been extended to May 31, 2016.

2. March 5, 2016 Sustainability Commission Workshop Review

Manager Mician reported that some of the changes to the Master Plan have already been made and that new graphics are being developed. Looking to have Master Plan adopted by Commission in April and by the City Council in May 2016.

3. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget Overview

Manager Mician stated that the budget numbers have not changed since presented and will go to the City Council as stated. An explanation of the different funds was given. A Town Hall Meeting for the public will be held on April 11-12, 2016.

Questions and comments from Commissioners were discussed.

**F. OLD BUSINESS**

1. ONE PS Picnic Scheduling, March 19, 2016

Manager Mician requested volunteers for manning the booth for the ONE PS Picnic

2. Discuss Chair appointment and open nominations of Sustainability Commission Liaison to Planning Commission and Architectural Advisory Commission

Manager Mician reported on the process for becoming a liaison for the Architectural Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission. Commissioners Freedman and Otto volunteered for the Planning and AAC liaisons. An item on the agenda for the April 19, 2016 meeting will be added.

3. Adopt Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Proposal:

**MOTION: VOTE TO APPROVE FY 2016-17 BUDGET PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.**

Motion by Commissioner Otto and second by Commissioner Freedman, unanimously passed.

**G. NEW BUSINESS**

**(10 MINUTES)**

1. Commission policy on positions regarding conservation issues and requests for environmental campaign support.

Manager Mician requested input on how Commission would like to handle requests for support on emerging environmental issues affecting the Sustainability Commission. Criteria should be determined on how to respond to requests on issues.

Commissioner Ferguson reported that more time should be allowed to study any request. Also, a subcommittee could be established to look for projects that may need addressing in order to have more time for an educated response.

Discussion was held on how to make possible to hear from both sides of an issue.

Questions and comments from Commissioners were discussed. Chair Jackson reported that the issue of a new subcommittee will be discussed among Commissioners for possible inclusion on a future agenda.

2. Funding of new Waterless Urinal Program

Commissioner Freedman gave an overview of the waterless urinal program.

Commissioner Lazar motioned and Commissioner McCann seconded the motion:

**MOTION:** CREATE NEW FY 2016-17 REBATE INCENTIVES FOR WATERLESS URINALS USING \$5,000.00 FROM WATER EFFICIENCY ACCOUNT 138-1270-58021 TO FUND A MINIMUM OF 50 REBATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100.00 LIMITED TO ONE PER APPLICANT.

No further comments, motion unanimously carried.

3. Discuss expenditure to fund Summer Reading Program

Manager Mician explained that the recommendation is different than what was requested by the Library. The amount on the recommendation is given as a suggested amount.

**RECOMMENDATION:** MOTION TO ALLOCATE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500 TO FUND TWO BICYCLES FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM RAFFLE WITH FUNDS AVAILABLE IN ACCOUNT # 138-1270-58039

Commissioner Bettinger motioned to amend the recommendation to fund not to exceed \$700.00. Seconded by Commissioner Ferguson.

Questions and comments from Commissioners were discussed. Commissioner Armstrong recommended that the bikes should go to children who cannot afford a bike and that a report of who receive the bikes be presented to the Commission.

Motion passed with only Commissioner Armstrong voting against.

4. Goals and Scheduling Policy Recommendations to Council for 2016-2020

Manager Mician reported on six goals to be sent to the City Council:

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| i. Multi Family Recycling | iv. No Idling Policy                   |
| ii. Product Stewardship   | v. Tree Protection Ordinance           |
| iii. Pesticide Policy     | vi. Mandatory Green Building Practices |

No questions or comments from Commissioners.

**H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**(30 MINUTES)**

1. Water Conservation Subcommittee, Commissioner Freedman

Commissioner Freedman reported that DWA has amended the Water Conservation Ordinance and can now issue on the spot violation fines. More outreach programs are being planned. Commissioner Freedman also reported that there is pending legislation on model water irrigation and separate plumbing to allow for grey water to be used for irrigation in new builds.

2. Outreach Subcommittee, Commissioner Lazar

- New branding and logos – Commissioner Lazar reported on the efforts to create a new logo for the Sustainability Commission. Comments from the commissioners were requested.
- Commissioner Lazar reported on fruit gleaning.
- Commissioner Lazar reported on a design for a “Mouth” to be fitted onto the front of a disposal unit for unused medication. Hopefully to be placed in local pharmacies.

3. Green Building/Solar Subcommittee, Vice Chair Wilson, Commissioners Otto and Freedman

Commissioner Freedman reported on the Green for Life progress and a presentation to ONE-PS. The recommendation on the report has already been included in the new budget.

4. Waste Reduction Subcommittee, Commissioner Polischak – No Report

5. Wellness Subcommittee, Chair Jackson – No Report

6. Active Transportation Subcommittee, Commissioner Ferguson reported on the Open Streets event and on Cycledelic.

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Wilson expressed gratitude for raising issue of Pedestrian Plan being funded through Measure J  
Commissioner Armstrong stated that the Desert Horticultural Society is having their annual tour on Sunday

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April 3, 2016. Palermo HOA to be featured.

Chair Jackson stated that Councilmember Kors may request time to speak at the April meeting to discuss CVAG and the Salton Sea.

Commissioner Otto stated that the Eagle Crest pumping station is not a renewable energy plant, but a storage unit for renewable energy.

Commissioner Ferguson requested that Commissioner Otto bring more information to the Commission so that a better decision can be made on the subject.

Chair Jackson requested that any new topics or new business be communicated to Manager Mician or himself as soon as possible so that they may be addressed.

Commissioner McCann stated that a Coachella Valley will have an International Dark Sky Association Chapter to fight light pollution in the near future.

- J. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourned to the Regular Meeting, held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 in the City Hall Large Conference Room. Motion by Commissioner Lazar and seconded by Commissioner Otto. The Sustainability Commission's meeting schedule is at 5 p.m. the third Tuesday each month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

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# Mary Brent Wehrli

## City of Palm Springs 2016

### Green Citizen Award Winner



**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT  
RELATING TO THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES  
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

THIS AGREEMENT, dated as of June 1, 1988, by and among the parties executing this Agreement (all such parties, except those which have withdrawn in accordance with Section 13 hereof, being herein referred to as the "Program Participants"):

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Title 1, Division 7, Chapter 5 of the Government Code of the State of California (the "Joint Exercise of Powers Act"), two or more public agencies may by agreement jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the Program Participants is a "public agency" as that term is defined in Section 6500 of the Government Code of the State of California, and

**WHEREAS**, each of the Program Participants is empowered to promote economic development, including, without limitation, the promotion of opportunities for the creation or retention of employment, the stimulation of economic activity, and the increase of the tax base, within its boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, a public entity established pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act is empowered to issue industrial development bonds pursuant to the California Industrial Development Financing Act (Title 10 (commencing with Section 91500 of the Government Code of the State of California)) (the "Act") and to otherwise undertake financing programs under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act or other applicable provisions of law to promote economic development through the issuance of bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, or certificates of participation in leases or other agreements (all such instruments being herein collectively referred to as "Bonds"); and

**WHEREAS**, in order to promote economic development within the State of California, the County Supervisors Association of California ("CSAC"), together with the California Manufacturers Association, has established the Bonds for Industry program (the "Program").

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of the Program, certain California counties (collectively, the "Initial Participants") have entered into that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement dated as of November 18, 1987 (the "Initial Agreement"), pursuant to which the California Counties Industrial Development Authority has been established as a separate entity under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act for the purposes and with the powers specified in the Initial Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the League of California Cities ("LCC") has determined to join as a sponsor of the Program and to actively participate in the administration of the Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Participants have determined to specifically authorize the Authority to issue Bonds pursuant to Article 2 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act ("Article 2") and Article 4 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act ("Article 4"), as well as may be authorized by the Act or other applicable law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Participants desire to rename the California Counties Industrial Development Authority to better reflect the additional sponsorship of the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the Initial Participants has determined that it is in the public interest of the citizens within its boundaries, and to the benefit of such Initial Participant and the area and persons served by such Initial Participant, to amend and restate in its entirety the Initial Agreement in order to implement the provisions set forth above; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Program Participants to use a public entity established pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act to undertake projects within their respective jurisdictions that may be financed with Bonds issued pursuant to the Act, Article 2, Article 4, or other applicable provisions of law; and

**WHEREAS**, the projects undertaken will result in significant public benefits, including those public benefits set forth in Section 91502.1 of the Act, an increased level of economic activity, or an increased tax base, and will therefore serve and be of benefit to the inhabitants of the jurisdictions of the Program Participants;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Program Participants, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements herein contained, do agree to restate and amend the Initial Agreement in its entirety to provide as follows:

**Section 1. Purpose.**

This Agreement is made pursuant to the provisions of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, relating to the joint exercise of powers common to public agencies, in this case being the Program Participants. The Program Participants each possess the powers referred to in the recitals hereof. The purpose of this Agreement is to establish an agency for, and with the purpose of, issuing Bonds to finance projects within the territorial limits of the Program Participants pursuant to the Act, Article 2, Article 4, or other applicable provisions of law; provided, however that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a limitation on the rights of the Program Participants to pursue economic development outside of this Agreement, including the rights to issue Bonds through industrial development authorities under the Act, or as otherwise permitted by law.

Within the various jurisdictions of the Program Participants such purpose will be accomplished and said powers exercised in the manner hereinafter set forth.

**Section 2. Term.**

This Agreement shall become effective as of the date hereof and shall continue in full force and effect for a period of forty (40) years from the date hereof, or until such time as it is terminated in writing by all the Program Participants; provided, however, that this Agreement shall not terminate or be terminated until the date on which all Bonds or other indebtedness issued or caused to be issued by the Authority shall have been retired, or full provision shall have been made for their retirement, including interest until their retirement date.

**Section 3. Authority.**

**A. CREATION AND POWERS OF AUTHORITY.**

(1) Pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, there is hereby created a public entity to be known as the "California Statewide Communities Development Authority" (the "Authority"), and said Authority shall be a public entity separate and apart from the Program Participants. Its debts, liabilities and obligations do not constitute debts, liabilities or obligations of any party to this Agreement.

**B. COMMISSION.**

The Authority shall be administered by a Commission (the "Commission") which shall consist of seven members, each

serving in his or her individual capacity as a member of the Commission. The Commission shall be the administering agency of this Agreement, and, as such, shall be vested with the powers set forth herein, and shall execute and administer this Agreement in accordance with the purposes and functions provided herein.

Four members of the Commission shall be appointed by the governing body of CSAC and three members of the Commission shall be appointed by the governing body of LCC. Initial members of the Commission shall serve a term ending June 1, 1991. Successors to such members shall be selected in the manner in which the respective initial member was selected and shall serve a term of three years. Any appointment to fill an unexpired term, however, shall be for such unexpired term. The term of office specified above shall be applicable unless the term of office of the respective member is terminated as hereinafter provided, and provided that the term of any member shall not expire until a successor thereto has been appointed as provided herein.

Each of CSAC and LCC may appoint an alternate member of the Commission for each member of the Commission which it appoints. Such alternate member may act as a member of the Commission in place of and during the absence or disability of such regularly appointed member. All references in this Agreement to any member of the Commission shall be deemed to refer to and include the applicable alternate member when so acting in place of a regularly appointed member.

Each member or alternate member of the Commission may be removed and replaced at any time by the governing body by which such member was appointed. Any individual, including any member of the governing body or staff of CSAC or LCC, shall be eligible to serve as a member or alternate member of the Commission.

Members and alternate members of the Commission shall not receive any compensation for serving as such but shall be entitled to reimbursement for any expenses actually incurred in connection with serving as a member or alternate member, if the Commission shall determine that such expenses shall be reimbursed and there are unencumbered funds available for such purpose.

#### C. OFFICERS; DUTIES; OFFICIAL BONDS.

The Commission shall elect a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a Secretary of the Authority from among its members to serve for such term as shall be determined by the Commission. The Commission shall appoint one or more of its officers or

employees to serve as treasurer, auditor, and controller of the Authority (the "Treasurer") pursuant to Section 6505.6 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act to serve for such term as shall be determined by the Commission.

Subject to the applicable provisions of any resolution, indenture or other instrument or proceeding authorizing or securing Bonds (each such resolution, indenture, instrument and proceeding being herein referred to as an "Indenture") providing for a trustee or other fiscal agent, the Treasurer is designated as the depository of the Authority to have custody of all money of the Authority, from whatever source derived.

The Treasurer of the Authority shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities specified in Section 6505.5 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act.

The Treasurer of the Authority is designated as the public officer or person who has charge of, handles, or has access to any property of the Authority, and such officer shall file an official bond with the Secretary of the Authority in the amount specified by resolution of the Commission but in no event less than \$1,000. If and to the extent permitted by law, any such officer may satisfy this requirement by filing an official bond in at least said amount obtained in connection with another public office.

The Commission shall have the power to appoint such other officers and employees as it may deem necessary and to retain independent counsel, consultants and accountants.

The Commission shall have the power, by resolution, to the extent permitted by the Joint Exercise of Powers Act or any other applicable law, to delegate any of its functions to one or more of the members of the Commission or officers or agents of the Authority and to cause any of said members, officers or agents to take any actions and execute any documents or instruments for and in the name and on behalf of the Commission or the Authority.

#### D. MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION.

##### (1) Regular Meetings.

The Commission shall provide for its regular meetings; provided, however, it shall hold at least one regular meeting each year. The date, hour and place of the holding of the regular meetings shall be fixed by resolution of the Commission and a copy of such resolution shall be filed with each party hereto.

(2) Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Commission may be called in accordance with the provisions of Section 54956 of the Government Code of the State of California.

(3) Ralph M. Brown Act.

All meetings of the Commission, including, without limitation, regular, adjourned regular, special, and adjourned special meetings shall be called, noticed, held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (commencing with Section 54950 of the Government Code of the State of California).

(4) Minutes.

The Secretary of the Authority shall cause to be kept minutes of the regular, adjourned regular, special, and adjourned special meetings of the Commission and shall, as soon as possible after each meeting, cause a copy of the minutes to be forwarded to each member of the Commission.

(5) Quorum.

A majority of the members of the Commission which includes at least one member appointed by the governing body of each of CSAC and LCC shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. No action may be taken by the Commission except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Commission which includes at least one member appointed by the governing body of each of CSAC and LCC, except that less than a quorum may adjourn a meeting to another time and place.

E. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Authority may adopt, from time to time, by resolution of the Commission such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and affairs as may be required.

**Section 4. Powers.**

The Authority shall have any and all powers relating to economic development authorized by law to each of the parties hereto and separately to the public entity herein created, including, without limitation, the promotion of opportunities for the creation and retention of employment, the stimulation of economic activity, and the increase of the tax base, within the jurisdictions of such parties. Such powers shall include the common powers specified in this

Agreement and may be exercised in the manner and according to the method provided in this Agreement. All such powers common to the parties are specified as powers of the Authority. The Authority is hereby authorized to do all acts necessary for the exercise of such powers, including, but not limited to, any or all of the following: to make and enter into contracts; to employ agents and employees; to acquire, construct, provide for maintenance and operation of, or maintain and operate, any buildings, works or improvements; to acquire, hold or dispose of property wherever located; to incur debts, liabilities or obligations; to receive gifts, contributions and donations of property, funds, services and other forms of assistance from persons, firms, corporations and any governmental entity; to sue and be sued in its own name; and generally to do any and all things necessary or convenient to the promotion of economic development, including without limitation the promotion of opportunities for the creation or retention of employment, the stimulation of economic activity, and the increase of the tax base, all as herein contemplated. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Authority may issue or cause to be issued bonded and other indebtedness, and pledge any property or revenues as security to the extent permitted under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, including Article 2 and Article 4, the Act or any other applicable provision of law.

The manner in which the Authority shall exercise its powers and perform its duties is and shall be subject to the restrictions upon the manner in which a California county could exercise such powers and perform such duties until a California general law city shall become a Program Participant, at which time it shall be subject to the restrictions upon the manner in which a California general law city could exercise such powers and perform such duties. The manner in which the Authority shall exercise its powers and perform its duties shall not be subject to any restrictions applicable to the manner in which any other public agency could exercise such powers or perform such duties, whether such agency is a party to this Agreement or not.

**Section 5. Fiscal Year.**

For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "Fiscal Year" shall mean the fiscal year as established from time to time by the Authority, being, at the date of this Agreement, the period from July 1 to and including the following June 30, except for the first Fiscal Year which shall be the period from the date of this Agreement to June 30, 1988.

**Section 6. Disposition of Assets.**

At the end of the term hereof or upon the earlier termination of this Agreement as set forth in Section 2 hereof, after payment of all expenses and liabilities of the Authority, all property of the Authority both real and personal shall automatically vest in the Program Participants and shall thereafter remain the sole property of the Program Participants; provided, however, that any surplus money on hand shall be returned in proportion to the contributions made by the Program Participants.

**Section 7. Bonds.**

The Authority shall issue Bonds for the purpose of exercising its powers and raising the funds necessary to carry out its purposes under this Agreement. Said Bonds may, at the discretion of Authority, be issued in series.

The services of bond counsel, financing consultants and other consultants and advisors working on the projects and/or their financing shall be used by the Authority. The fees and expenses of such counsel, consultants, advisors, and the expenses of CSAC, LCC, and the Commission shall be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds or any other unencumbered funds of the Authority available for such purpose.

**Section 9. Local Approval.**

A copy of the application for financing of a project shall be filed by the Authority with the Program Participant in whose jurisdiction the project is to be located. The Authority shall not issue Bonds with respect to any project unless the governing body of the Program Participant in whose jurisdiction the project is to be located, or its duly authorized designee, shall approve, conditionally or unconditionally, the project, including the issuance of Bonds therefor. Action to approve or disapprove a project shall be taken within 45 days of the filing with the Program Participant. Certification of approval or disapproval shall be made by the clerk of the governing body of the Program Participant, or by such other officer as may be designated by the applicable Program Participant, to the Authority.

**Section 8. Bonds Only Limited and Special Obligations of Authority.**

The Bonds, together with the interest and premium, if any, thereon, shall not be deemed to constitute a debt of any Program Participant, CSAC, or LCC or pledge of the faith and credit of the Program Participants, CSAC, LCC, or the

Authority. The Bonds shall be only special obligations of the Authority, and the Authority shall under no circumstances be obligated to pay the Bonds or the respective project costs except from revenues and other funds pledged therefor. Neither the Program Participants, CSAC, LCC, nor the Authority shall be obligated to pay the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds, or other costs incidental thereto, except from the revenues and funds pledged therefor, and neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Program Participants nor the faith and credit of CSAC, LCC, or the Authority shall be pledged to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds nor shall the Program Participants, CSAC, LCC, or the Authority in any manner be obligated to make any appropriation for such payment.

No covenant or agreement contained in any Bond or Indenture shall be deemed to be a covenant or agreement of any member of the Commission, or any officer, agent or employee of the Authority in his individual capacity and neither the Commission of the Authority nor any officer thereof executing the Bonds shall be liable personally on any Bond or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance of any Bonds.

**Section 10. Accounts and Reports.**

All funds of the Authority shall be strictly accounted for. The Authority shall establish and maintain such funds and accounts as may be required by good accounting practice and by any provision of any Indenture (to the extent such duties are not assigned to a trustee of Bonds). The books and records of the Authority shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by each Program Participant.

The Treasurer of the Authority shall cause an independent audit to be made of the books of accounts and financial records of the Agency by a certified public accountant or public accountant in compliance with the provisions of Section 6505 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act. In each case the minimum requirements of the audit shall be those prescribed by the State Controller for special districts under Section 26909 of the Government Code of the State of California and shall conform to generally accepted auditing standards. When such an audit of accounts and records is made by a certified public accountant or public accountant, a report thereof shall be filed as public records with each Program Participant and also with the county auditor of each county in which a Program Participant is located. Such report shall be filed within 12 months of the end of the Fiscal Year or Years under examination.

Any costs of the audit, including contracts with, or employment of, certified public accountants or public accountants in making an audit pursuant to this Section, shall be borne by the Authority and shall be a charge against any unencumbered funds of the Authority available for that purpose.

In any Fiscal Year the Commission may, by resolution adopted by unanimous vote, replace the annual special audit with an audit covering a two-year period.

The Treasurer of the Authority, within 120 days after the close of each Fiscal Year, shall give a complete written report of all financial activities for such Fiscal Year to each of the Program Participants to the extent such activities are not covered by the reports of the trustees for the Bonds. The trustee appointed under each Indenture shall establish suitable funds, furnish financial reports and provide suitable accounting procedures to carry out the provisions of said Indenture. Said trustee may be given such duties in said Indenture as may be desirable to carry out this Agreement.

**Section 11. Funds.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of each Indenture, which may provide for a trustee to receive, have custody of and disburse Authority funds, the Treasurer of the Authority shall receive, have the custody of and disburse Authority funds pursuant to the accounting procedures developed under Section 10 hereof, and shall make the disbursements required by this Agreement or otherwise necessary to carry out any of the provisions or purposes of this Agreement.

**Section 12. Notices.**

Notices and other communications hereunder to the Program Participants shall be sufficient if delivered to the clerk of the governing body of each Program Participant.

**Section 13. Withdrawal and Addition of Parties.**

A Program Participant may withdraw from this Agreement upon written notice to the Commission; provided, however, that no such withdrawal shall result in the dissolution of the Authority so long as any Bonds remain outstanding under an Indenture. Any such withdrawal shall be effective only upon receipt of the notice of withdrawal by the Commission which shall acknowledge receipt of such notice of withdrawal in writing and shall file such notice as an amendment to this Agreement effective upon such filing.

Qualifying public agencies may be added as parties to this Agreement and become Program Participants upon: (i) the filing by such public agency of an executed counterpart of this Agreement, together with a certified copy of the resolution of the governing body of such public agency approving this Agreement and the execution and delivery hereof; and (ii) adoption of a resolution of the Commission approving the addition of such public agency as a Program Participant. Upon satisfaction of such conditions, the Commission shall file such executed counterpart of this Agreement as an amendment hereto, effective upon such filing.

**Section 14. Indemnification.**

To the full extent permitted by law, the Commission may authorize indemnification by the Authority of any person who is or was a member or alternate member of the Commission, or an officer, employee or other agent of the Authority, and who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to a proceeding by reason of the fact that such person is or was such a member or alternate member of the Commission, or an officer, employee or other agent of the Authority, against expenses, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such proceeding, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Authority and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the conduct of such person was unlawful and, in the case of an action by or in the right of the Authority, acted with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar circumstances.

**Section 15. Contributions and Advances.**

Contributions or advances of public funds and of the use of personnel, equipment or property may be made to the Authority by the parties hereto for any of the purposes of this Agreement. Payment of public funds may be made to defray the cost of any such contribution. Any such advance may be made subject to repayment, and in such case shall be repaid, in the manner agreed upon by the Authority and the party making such advance at the time of such advance.

**Section 16. Immunities.**

All of the privileges and immunities from liabilities, exemptions from laws, ordinances and rules, all pension, relief, disability, workers' compensation, and other benefits which apply to the activity of officers, agents or employees of Program Participants when performing their

respective functions within the territorial limits of their respective public agencies, shall apply to them to the same degree and extent while engaged as members of the Commission or otherwise as an officer, agent or other representative of the Authority or while engaged in the performance of any of their functions or duties extraterritorially under the provisions of this Agreement.

**Section 17. Amendments.**

Except as provided in Section 13 above, this Agreement shall not be amended, modified, or altered except by a written instrument duly executed by each of the Program Participants.

**Section 18. Effectiveness.**

This Agreement shall become effective and be in full force and effect and a legal, valid and binding obligation of each of the Program Participants at 9:00 a.m., California time, on the date that the Commission shall have received from each of the Initial Participants an executed counterpart of this Agreement, together with a certified copy of a resolution of the governing body of each such Initial Participant approving this Agreement and the execution and delivery hereof.

**Section 19. Partial Invalidity.**

If anyone or more of the terms, provisions, promises, covenants or conditions of this Agreement shall to any extent be adjudged invalid, unenforceable, void or voidable for any reason whatsoever by a court of competent jurisdiction, each and all of the remaining terms, provisions, promises, covenants and conditions of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**Section 20. Successors.**

This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors of the parties hereto. Except to the extent expressly provided herein, no party may assign any right or obligation hereunder without the consent of the other parties.

**Section 21. Miscellaneous.**

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

The section headings herein are for convenience only and are not to be construed as modifying or governing the language in the section referred to.

Wherever in this Agreement any consent or approval is required, the same shall not be unreasonably withheld.

This Agreement is made in the State of California, under the Constitution and laws of such state and is to be so construed.

This Agreement is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement among the parties hereto, which supercedes and merges all prior proposals, understandings, and other agreements, including, without limitation, the Initial Agreement, whether oral, written, or implied in conduct, between and among the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed and attested by their proper officers thereunto duly authorized, and their official seals to be hereto affixed, as of the day and year first above written.

**Program Participant:**

[SEAL]

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**By** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:**

**Title:**

**ATTEST:**

**By** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:**

**Title:**

AGENDA ITEM No. \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

**TO:** City Council

**SUBJECT:** Adopt Resolution 201\_- \_\_\_\_\_ Consenting to the Inclusion of Properties within the City’s Jurisdiction in the CaliforniaFIRST Program to Finance Distributed Generation Renewable Energy Sources, Energy and Water Efficiency Improvements and Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure.

**BACKGROUND:**

Assembly Bill (AB) 811 was signed into law on July 21, 2008, and AB 474, effective January 1, 2010, amended Chapter 29 of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Streets & Highways Code of the State of California (“Chapter 29”) and authorizes a legislative body to designate an area within which authorized public officials and free and willing property owners may enter into voluntary contractual assessments to finance the installation of distributed generation renewable energy sources, energy efficiency, and/or water conservation improvements that are permanently fixed to real property, as specified. The financing for these improvements has come to be known as PACE, which stands for Property Assessed Clean Energy.

On January 25, the Executive Committee approved implementation of new PACE programs regionally, with CVAG oversight and similar policies and procedures that have been incorporated into the HERO and Ygrene programs. CVAG staff has developed a consistent process for vetting potential PACE programs, described below. CaliforniaFIRST has approached CVAG about implementing their program on a regional scale.

CaliforniaFIRST is a public/private financing PACE program administered by Renew Financial, an Oakland-based clean energy finance company that specializes in affordable financing for renewable energy and energy efficiency projects in almost 300 cities and counties. CaliforniaFIRST operates under AB 811 and is enrolled in the Open PACE program, which has oversight from the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA). The CSCDA was created in 1988, under California’s Joint Exercise of Powers Act, to provide California’s local governments with an effective tool for the timely financing of community-based public benefit projects, such as the Open PACE program. CSCDA was created by and for local governments in California, and is sponsored by the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities. Currently, more than 500 cities, counties and special districts have become members of CSCDA. Many CVAG member agencies are currently members of CSCDA. The Open PACE program provides CSCDA members a turn-key PACE solution that provides property owners a choice among multiple pre-qualified PACE financing providers based on their rates, experience and capital commitment to the California PACE market. There are currently three approved PACE providers authorized by CSCDA under the Open PACE program; CaliforniaFIRST is one of these approved providers. The consumer protection policies and procedures adopted by the CVAG Executive Committee on January 25 are used by CSCDA for the Open PACE program and therefore are adopted by CaliforniaFIRST. These are the same policies used by the HERO program.

The CSCDA provides oversight of CaliforniaFIRST, including review of each application and underwriting criteria. Their function is similar to that provided by CVAG for the CV Upgrade/Ygrene program and by Western Riverside Council of Governments for the HERO program. As part of the

process to make CaliforniaFIRST available to property owners, each CVAG member agency will need to adopt a resolution and join the CSCDA. Rancho Mirage is already a member of the CSCDA so will not need to join.

The agreement with Renew Financial to be a PACE provider in the Coachella Valley provides for CVAG oversight of the CaliforniaFIRST program and consistency with the policies, procedures and oversight that are currently in place with both HERO and Ygrene programs. The Renew Financial agreement is similar to the one developed with Renovate America and the Western Riverside Council of Governments for HERO. This agreement allows CVAG to provide oversight on behalf of our member agencies, to: 1) minimize issues that may arise from the operation of multiple programs simultaneously in the Coachella Valley; 2) assist with marketing and outreach; 3) coordinate with and assist CVAG member agencies; and 4) handle any property owner or contractor complaints. This agreement will also provide for cost recovery associated with CVAG's role in CaliforniaFIRST as a regional PACE program.

As part of the development of this agreement, CVAG staff has been working with Renew Financial and CSCDA to review their procedures to ensure they meet the same standards established for our existing regional programs. Given the growth in the PACE market, it is important to maintain oversight and properly vet new programs. Under this agreement:

1. Renew Financial would provide all administration and financing of the program at no cost to member agencies. At this time, the program is anticipated to be available only for residential property owners.
2. CVAG would provide program oversight including:
  - a. Review and approve projects submitted by property owners participating in the CaliforniaFIRST program within the CVAG region.
  - b. Adopt resolutions and approve documents authorizing the CaliforniaFIRST program;
  - c. Assist member agencies with the process of adoption of resolutions and/or other actions necessary to participate in the CaliforniaFIRST program.
  - d. Coordinate with Renew Financial on program marketing and outreach, to ensure that such marketing and outreach is compatible with the existing CV Upgrade program and property owners in the CVAG region are aware of the options for PACE programs, including the Ygrene Energy Fund CV Upgrade program and the HERO program.
  - e. Provide Renew Financial with a "local presence" at the CVAG offices.
3. Renew Financial is the program administrator for the CaliforniaFIRST program. Renew Financial will participate in the CaliforniaFIRST program for the Coachella Valley as conduit issuer of bonds and will coordinate with CVAG as needed.

## **ANALYSIS:**

Similar to other PACE programs, the CaliforniaFIRST Program is being offered to allow property owners in participating cities and counties to finance renewable energy, energy and water efficiency improvements, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure on their property. If a property owner chooses to participate, the installed improvements will be financed by the issuance of bonds. The bonds are secured by a voluntary contractual assessment levied on such owner's property, with no recourse to the local government or other participating jurisdictions. Participation in the program is 100% voluntary. Property owners who wish to participate in the program agree to repay the amount borrowed through the voluntary contractual assessment collected together with their property taxes. This financing is available for eligible improvements on both residential and non-residential properties.

### The benefits to the property owner include:

- **Eligibility:** In today's economic environment, alternatives for property owners to finance renewable energy/energy efficiency/water efficiency improvements or electric vehicle charging

infrastructure may not be available. As such many property owners do not have financing options available that would provide funding for improvements that lower their utility bills.

- Savings: Energy prices continue to rise and selecting in energy efficient, water efficient and renewable energy improvements reduces utility bills.
- 100% voluntary. Property owners can choose to participate in the program at their discretion. Improvements and properties must meet eligibility criteria in order to qualify for financing.
- Payment obligation stays with the property. Under Chapter 29, a voluntary contractual assessment stays with the property upon transfer of ownership. Certain residential conforming mortgage providers will, however, require the assessment be paid off at the time the property is refinanced or sold.
- Prepayment option. The property owner can choose to pay off the assessments at any time, subject to applicable prepayment penalties.
- Customer oriented program. Part of the success of the program is the prompt customer service. Committed funding partners provide funding promptly upon project completion resulting in both property owner and contactor satisfaction.

The benefits to the City include:

- Increase local jobs.
- An increase in property values (energy efficient homes and buildings are worth more money).
- An increase in sales, payroll and property tax revenue
- As in conventional assessment financing, the City is not obligated to repay the bonds or to pay any delinquent assessments levied on the participating properties.

The standard procedure for all cities and counties to participate in the CaliforniaFIRST program is to adopt the form of a resolution accompanying this staff report. Resolution \_\_\_\_\_ enables the CaliforniaFIRST Program to be available to owners of property within our City to finance renewable energy, energy efficiency and water efficiency improvements and electric vehicle charging infrastructure. The resolution also identifies that the City is a member of CVAG and CVAG has contracted with Renew Financial to provide the CaliforniaFIRST program to its member agencies, whereby portions of the administration of the CaliforniaFIRST Program in Eastern Riverside County shall be delegated to CVAG.

**FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACTS:**

There is no negative fiscal impact to the City's general fund will be incurred by consenting to the inclusion of properties within the City limits in the CaliforniaFIRST Program. All CaliforniaFIRST Program administrative costs are covered through an initial administrative fee included in the property owner's voluntary contractual assessment and an annual administrative fee which is also collected on the property owner's tax bill.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolution \_\_\_\_\_ to authorize the City's participation in the CaliforniaFIRST Program which will enable property owners to finance permanently fixed renewable energy, energy and water efficiency improvements and electric vehicle charging infrastructure on their properties.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution for CaliforniaFIRST program

### Time Frame

Immediate (Next year)

Short (2-5 years)

Long (5+ years)

Ongoing

## PALM SPRINGS SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN

### IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX

#	Action	Objective	Time Frame	Responsible Department(s)	Key Partner(s)	Legislative Actions Needed
Climate Change + Resilience	Inventory and report greenhouse gas emissions so that reductions can be tracked in a transparent, consistent, and accurate manner.	Monitor and report greenhouse gas emissions.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Use an emissions inventory and a monitoring tool to identify and prioritize effective programs, and to modify programs to increase greenhouse gas reduction effectiveness.	Monitor and report greenhouse gas emissions.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Climate Change + Resilience	Implement energy, water, transportation, and other actions in the City's Climate Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Develop strategies to reduce contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and carbon neutrality by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		Adopt Climate Action Plan
Climate Change + Resilience	Establish greenhouse gas criteria to evaluate City policies, programs, and development applications.	Develop strategies to reduce contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and carbon neutrality by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		

#	Action	Objective	Time Frame	Responsible Department(s)	Key Partner(s)	Legislative Actions Needed
Climate Change + Resilience	Develop annual department-wide work plans that outline specific greenhouse gas reduction efforts for municipal operations.	Develop strategies to reduce contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and carbon neutrality by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		Adoption of Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Climate Change + Resilience	Convene a working group, or collaborate with a regional university, to outline different policies approaches to achieve the deep and transformative actions necessary to achieve carbon neutrality.	Develop strategies to reduce contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and carbon neutrality by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department	UC Riverside	
Climate Change + Resilience	Participate in a regional carbon offset program, carbon trading, or “cap and trade” system to capture funding for local/regional actions to reduce contributions to GHGs.	Develop strategies to reduce contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and carbon neutrality by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Assess the potential impacts of climate change on people, infrastructure, natural systems, and public spaces in the City.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Partner with State, federal, regional, and county agencies to develop short-term actions that improve community resiliency.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department	Riverside County Public Health Department,	
Climate Change + Resilience	Prioritize greenhouse gas reduction measures with co-benefits that make the community more resilient to climate change.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		

#	Action	Objective	Time Frame	Responsible Department(s)	Key Partner(s)	Legislative Actions Needed
Sustainable Economy	Work to expand existing programs that increase demand for clean technology and renewable energy, e.g. PACE programs.	Incubate, grow, incentivize, and/or attract ten new sustainable businesses to Palm Springs, focusing on renewable energy production, clean technology, and green products and services by 2020.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	HERO Program	
Sustainable Economy	In conjunction with surrounding municipalities, develop a package of local incentives to make the region more attractive to target industries.	Incubate, grow, incentivize, and/or attract ten new sustainable businesses to Palm Springs, focusing on renewable energy production, clean technology, and green products and services by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Planning Department		
Sustainable Economy	Work with education partners to identify and focus resources from the College of the Desert, UC Riverside, CSU San Bernardino, K-12 and others to support sustainable industries cluster and other local businesses.	Incubate, grow, incentivize, and/or attract ten new sustainable businesses to Palm Springs, focusing on renewable energy production, clean technology, and green products and services by 2020.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	College of the Desert, UC Riverside, CSU San Bernardino	

#	Action	Objective	Time Frame	Responsible Department(s)	Key Partner(s)	Legislative Actions Needed
Sustainable Economy	Support and promote the start-up businesses through incubators such as the iHUB Innovation Center, providing low-cost materials, technical assistance and opportunities for collaboration.	Incubate, grow, incentivize, and/or attract ten new sustainable businesses to Palm Springs, focusing on renewable energy production, clean technology, and green products and services by 2020.	Immediate	Community and Economic Development Department	iHUB Innovation Center	
Sustainable Economy	Develop a "Buy Local" campaign.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.		Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Increase support for small businesses to form, expand and innovate.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Promote local purchasing and procurement strategies.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Procurement and Contracting Department	Palm Springs Business Network	

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Sustainable Economy	Increase competitiveness for conventions and conferences by ensuring the Palm Springs Convention Center employs sustainable practices, such as the SMG Green IMPACT project.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Convention Center	
Sustainable Economy	Support and promote Palm Springs hospitality and service industries to become green through existing utility rebate programs and materials about best practices.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Convene existing tourism-based business owners and industry representatives to identify opportunities for expanding nature-based tourism. Research and report on best practices from other regions for consideration and adaptation.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	tourism-based business owners and industry representatives	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with the hospitality industry to provide information to tourists about ecologically-responsible travel to the region, carbon-offset alternatives, and resource conservation strategies for visitors.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	tourism-based business owners and industry representatives	

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Sustainable Economy	Work with community-based organization and other partners to develop an ecotourism volunteer program to engage the visitors in habitat rehabilitation.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Short	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Expand the number of businesses participating in the Green Business Program.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Continue to provide incentives and technical support to businesses in Palm Springs on sustainable business best practices.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with local business organizations to develop a promotional and marketing plan to increase the utilization of sustainable businesses, including incentivizing their employees to make greener choices.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Distribute materials on the Green Business Program, utility rebate and incentive programs, and other sustainable business practices with business license and permit information.	Encourage sustainable business practices.		Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	

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Sustainable Economy	Support local school district and Coachella Valley Economic Partnership efforts to expand career pathway programs including high school career academies built around renewable energy and health care.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	Coachella Valley Economic Partnership	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with community-based organizations to develop a green jobs program that provides job training/apprenticeship and placement focused on at-risk young adult populations.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Immediate	Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Establish partnerships with higher education to develop high-skill workers in green job industries.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	UC Riverside	
Community Health + Wellness	Explore ways to maximize existing facilities, resources, and opportunities for physical activity.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Utilize partnerships to create an additional community recreation center.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Long	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Provide physical activity opportunities for people of all ages.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department	Riverside County Public Health Department	

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Community Health + Wellness	Examine city policies that relate to healthy activity.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Eliminate barriers to healthy food choices within walking distance of all residents.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Riverside County Public Health Department	Resolution
Community Health + Wellness	Support complete neighborhoods and active transportation to promote social interaction and improve public health.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Create an online calendar/directory/resource guide of wellness activities and services available in our region.	Engage community partners to provide health and wellness education and/or services.	Short	Information Tehcnology, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Work with partner organizations to create a free "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" lecture series.	Engage community partners to provide health and wellness education and/or services.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	City staff member(s) participate in at least one of the Coachella Valley Health Collaborative's "Mental Health Summits".	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Ongoing	All Departments		
Community Health + Wellness	Develop a "Hands-On Palm Springs" (HOPS) Volunteer Program structure.	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Community Health + Wellness	Challenge each neighborhood organization to host one "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" event per year.	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	

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Livable Communities	Develop a toolkit of simple, low-cost solutions that support placemaking that can be used in Palm Springs.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Immediate	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department		
Livable Communities	Work with Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS) and its constituent Neighborhood Organizations to identify locations for public space transformation.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Pilot test placemaking tactics in two neighborhoods.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Long	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Support new, diverse housing opportunities within walking distance of Downtown Palm Springs, neighborhood commercial clusters, and mixed-use areas.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		

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Livable Communities	Support the streamlining of the construction of multifamily and mixed-use development in areas identified by the General Plan and identify areas for multifamily and mixed-use development in the City not currently shown in the General Plan's land use districts.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Promote bike parking and amenities in mixed-use, multifamily, and commercial development.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Building Department		
Livable Communities	Amplify and augment efforts to encourage developers to provide alternative parking facilities such as carpools, van pools, electric vehicle, and car share.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Building Department		
Livable Communities	Require new, continuous sidewalks on both sides of the street with new development and be fully compliant with ADA regulations.	Promote smart growth.	Immediate	Maintenance and Facilities Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Support development projects that adhere to smart growth principles, including new development around existing neighborhood assets, diverse uses, and transit.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Ensure that public health issues are guiding land use planning and development decisions.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department		

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Livable Communities	Require all city-owned buildings be built to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold standards and Well Building standards.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Code Compliance Department		Resolution
Livable Communities	Work with project developers to encourage use and implementation of the Green Building Program. Provide incentives to expand participation of the Green for Life Program.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Code Compliance Department	Local Developers	
Livable Communities	Expand businesses participation in the Green Façade Improvement Program.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Livable Communities	Conduct a systematic review of the General Plan and implementing ordinances and standards to identify additional opportunities to incentivize and encourage green building practices.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		General Plan Amendment
Livable Communities	Encourage green architectural and historic preservation and remodeling practices.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Code Compliance Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Develop an outreach and education plan for developers, realtors, and institutions (schools and hospitals) focused on sustainable design principles and green building.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	

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Livable Communities	Establish energy and water efficiency handbooks for City departments, residential and commercial users with checklists for self-assessment and resource guides.	Increase the number of green buildings.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		
Livable Communities	Incorporate CPTED principles into the City's General Plan and related policies.	Promote Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles when designing sites, buildings, facilities and the surrounding areas.	Long	Police Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Evaluate basic CPTED design and management strategies for incorporating into design standards and zoning.	Promote Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles when designing sites, buildings, facilities and the surrounding areas.	Ongoing	Police Department, Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Dedicate a portion of the transportation budget to pedestrian and bicycling projects and programs.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Launch a robust public information campaign highlighting the health, environmental, and economic benefits of active transportation.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Launch a public information campaign to educate people about eco-driving, including anti-idling and getting regular vehicle tune-ups to limit vehicle-related emissions.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Engage Green Team and Sustainability Commission members in strategies to implement General Plan goal and associated policies and actions to "Reduce the City's dependence on the use of single-passenger vehicles by enhancing mass transit opportunities."	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department	Green Team, Sustainability Commission	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Partner with local public health agencies and hospitals to promote biking and walking.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Engage with elementary and middle schools to expand the Safe Routes to School program by identifying local champions.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue to partner with the downtown business community to enhance the Bicycle Friendly Business District.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue promotion of National Bike Month and provide promotional gear and education classes to prospective bicycle riders.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Expand the bicycle "fix it" station program and refueling stations to improve the visibility of bicycling in the community.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Investigate the feasibility of car sharing in the city and at the airport.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Conduct a study to determine if bike share is feasible in Downtown Palm Springs.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a centralized portal of transportation information that allows residents and visitors to find multimodal transportation information, ride matches, and log trips for incentives.	Promote transportation choices.	Long	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department, Information Technology Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Promote "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" and "Walk and Roll" apps.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Hold Open Streets events to improve awareness of biking and walking.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Partner with SunLine transit to launch an individualized marketing program in neighborhoods with the highest levels of transit service.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	SunLine transit	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a campaign to promote the CV Link trail.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Expand the number of days BUZZ trolley service operates and the span of service; explore creation of an East-West route connecting the Palm Springs International Airport, the Convention Center, and Downtown Palm Springs.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	BUZZ trolley, Palm Springs International Airport	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Promote transit-oriented development to foster development along SunLine Transit corridors.	Promote transit-oriented development.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Assess parking requirements in Downtown Palm Springs and along SunLine Transit lines for opportunities to reduce parking minimums and ratios, recognizing the full costs and outcomes associated with inefficient parking strategies.	Promote transit-oriented development.	Short	Public Works Department		Resolution

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Consider expanding General Plan policy to encourage all, not just large, employers to adopt incentive programs that include ridesharing, preferential parking for rideshare, telecommuting, flex hours, bike racks, and other amenities.	Integrate sustainable transportation infrastructure and programs through the development process and through partnerships with employers.	Short	Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Incentivize developers to provide facilities such as carpool, vanpool, electric vehicle (EV), and bicycle parking; sponsor bus stops; and build bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to facilitate multimodal access.	Integrate sustainable transportation infrastructure and programs through the development process and through partnerships with employers.	Ongoing	Code Compliance Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department	Local Developers	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a clean airport shuttle service to major destinations within the city and valley.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue to support development of electric vehicle infrastructure and charging stations at City-owned facilities and through developer incentives.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop ordinances allowing neighborhood electric vehicles (e.g., golf carts and other similar vehicles) as a mode of travel on appropriate routes in the City.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Adopt a policy to transform the municipal fleet conversion to clean fuel vehicles.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Reduce employee vehicle miles traveled in city vehicles by promoting teleconferences and the availability of alternative transportation options for business trips.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Encourage telecommuting and flexible hours policies to avoid at least one commuting day per month per employee.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources		

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Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a comprehensive transportation options program for City employees that includes an online ridematching program and allows employees to log trips for awards.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Plant new trees in the nearly 1,200 vacant sites identified in the inventory of public trees, or other high-value locations.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Immediate	Parks and Recreation Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continually replace urban trees that have been removed or have died with appropriate, new landscaping or add shade canopy.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Ongoing	Parks and Recreation Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Establish a young tree maintenance program to properly care for newly planted trees.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Develop a tree planting and maintenance guide for residents and businesses based on the planting palette in the Urban Forest Management Report.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Encourage properly-sited and selected shade trees in 100% of new construction to reduce heat islands and provide shade to offset air conditioning demand.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Identify areas suitable for urban forestry based on existing space and requirements on public areas.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Planning Department		

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Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continue hosting an annual Arbor Day celebration.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Expand the City's tree inventory to include trees on private property.	Expand the urban forest by planting 1,200 new trees on public sites.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Create and implement a plan to ensure that all residents live within a 10-minute walk of a neighborhood park, open space and/or community garden.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Add new trails to the regional network, while connecting and enhancing the existing network.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Provide more developed facilities at trail heads, including kiosks, signage, restrooms, and bike parking.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Improve active transportation infrastructure connecting to parks and open spaces by creating complete streets, adding bike lanes, enhancing signage for pedestrians and cyclists, and improving sidewalk connectivity and quality.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	

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Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continue to work cooperatively with regional partners to assemble conservation areas identified in the CVMSHCP.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Establish development standards for residential, commercial, and industrial projects that: Control and manage invasive plants found on site by requiring best management practices to be	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Building Department,		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Create bird safe design guidelines that promote bird safety through measures such as façade treatments and lighting. Identify areas where guidelines would be most appropriate.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Develop operational policies restricting herbicide and pesticide use on City-owned and managed properties.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Immediate			Ordinance
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Develop a low-impact development handbook for residential and commercial project developers.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Require project developers to prevent stormwater pollution by implementing best management practices for construction activities.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		Ordinance

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Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Explore the potential impacts of climate change on storm frequency, duration, and intensity to understand the potential implications for stormwater infrastructure.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Require new construction to capture and remove all on-site trash before it enters the stormwater system.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department		Ordinance
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Expand the use of permeable pavement in large commercial and infrastructure uses, such as the Palm Springs Airport and Convention Center.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		Resolution
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Increase the number of green infrastructure projects, such as bioswales, street trees, and permeable pavement throughout the City.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Continue to actively partner with serving utilities through the Desert Cities Energy Partnership to fully utilize energy efficiency and demand response programs in municipal facilities.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department	Desert Cities Energy Partnership	

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Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Increase educational and outreach efforts to residential, commercial, and institutional building owners to increase awareness of SCE and the Gas Company programs, rebates, and incentives and CVAG's Green for Life Green Building Program to improve energy efficiency of existing buildings and pools.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department	SCE, Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote third-party programs and financing sources, such as the PACE program, to improve energy efficiency of existing buildings.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Finance and Treasury Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Facilitate income-qualified energy efficiency programs such as those offered by the LIHEAP program managed by the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County and other programs administered by the SoCal Gas Company and SCE.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Continue leveraging federal, state, regional, and other funding sources to retrofit existing municipal facilities and public housing.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		

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Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Complete 100% of remaining Energy Action Plan measures outlined in Phase III of the Energy Action Plan.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		Adoption of Energy Action Plan
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Install timers on outdoor recreational facilities and schools.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Short	Building Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Create a task force to study requiring energy disclosure, audits, and/or upgrades at time of sale for residential and commercial properties.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote and participate in group purchasing of energy efficiency goods and services with other CVAG cities/tribes.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Partner with CVAG to increase educational and outreach efforts to the construction industry and local developers to participate in the Green for Life Green Building Program to increase building efficiency.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	

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Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Highlight development projects that voluntarily meet complete the Green for Life Green Building Program.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Establish incentives, educational materials, and local partnership to encourage highly-sustainable building design and site design that receive LEED, Sustainable Sites, Living Building Challenge, or similar certification.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate and amend the zoning code to ensure passive solar techniques are integrated into site and building design guidelines.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Short	Planning Department		Ordinance
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Produce a City resource guide for commercial and residential solar installation, including information on state and local regulations, incentives, and other third-party programs.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department, Code Compliance Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote income-qualified solar housing programs that provide no- or low-cost solar for families living with limited or fixed incomes.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department		

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Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Explore establishment of a Community Choice Aggregator to procure and sell electricity to Palm Springs residents at competitive rates.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate establishment of a local energy ordinance to require new commercial and residential buildings to provide solar-generated power.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department, Code Compliance Department		Ordinance
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Develop a solar "Model Citizens" program for Palm Springs residents that promotes solar installation.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Long	Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Establish an ordinance to enable wind generation on residential and commercial buildings in Palm Springs.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Hold annual demonstration workshops for City permitting and inspection staff to enhance understanding and familiarity with renewable and new technology and installation procedures.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department		

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Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Leverage grant funding to increase renewable energy generation on City-owned facilities and properties.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate opportunities to increase local energy generation at the City's municipal waste water treatment plant.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Work with Socal Edison to retrofit or buy back street lights and retrofit them with LEDs.	Supply 50% of the all energy from renewable sources by 2030.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Socal Edison	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue converting road median and parkway strips to low-water, native, and drought-tolerant species.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Limit watering times at City facilities.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Develop guidelines that reduce water use for road medians, parkways, parks, and other city facilities.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Desert Water Agency	Resolution
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue implementing water efficiency and conservation methods at all City facilities, targeting those facilities with the highest water use.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Convert park and golf course irrigation systems to recycled water use, reduce high-water plants, and use smart irrigation systems.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		

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Water Conservation + Efficiency	Collaborate with the Desert Water Agency to promote and implement water conservation measures, leak detection, and water efficient fixtures in Palm Springs.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Short	Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue to expand community outreach and engagement efforts to residential, commercial, and hotel owners to increase awareness of existing water efficiency incentive programs and City water conservation requirements through the City's website, the Neighborhood Involvement Committees, and other community-based organizations.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue to promote and augment rebates for individual residences and HOAs for Lawn Buy Back Program and drought-tolerant landscaping.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Work with the Desert Water Agency to identify high-water consumer homes and businesses and target outreach and engagement efforts to these properties.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with the Desert Water Agency to promote smart metering and continuous monitoring of community water use.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	

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Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with hotels and the Desert Water Agency to increase the number of hotels participating the "Desert Water Worth Saving" campaign.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Promote the installation of irrigation control sensors and drought-tolerant plants for golf courses.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with CVAG to increase educational and outreach efforts to the construction industry and local developers to participate in the Green for Life Green Building Program to increase building water efficiency.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Establish incentives, educational materials, and local partnership to encourage highly-sustainable building and site design that receive LEED, Sustainable Sites, Living Building Challenge, or similar certification.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Work with the Desert Water Agency to increase water and wastewater rate tiers to encourage more conservation.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Explore adoption of a local gray water ordinance that requires all new residential development to be constructed for easy implementation of gray water systems.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department		Ordinance

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Water Conservation + Efficiency	Require new parks, golf courses, and other large open areas to connect to the recycled water system.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		Ordinance
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Support expansion of the recycled water system to serve existing commercial and multifamily development.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Partner with local commercial and residential developers to evaluate materials management strategies, including the sourcing of raw materials, reuse and recycling of materials, and selection of environmentally-sensitive sources.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Building Department, Planning Department	Local Developers	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Create a local campaign that connects residents to resources to that advocate buying smart, reusing, sharing goods and services, and maintaining existing products.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of buildings to conserve natural resources, historic resources, and reduce waste.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Recruit businesses to Palm Springs who can use existing waste streams as inputs.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		

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Solid Waste + Recycling	Continue to support on-going programs for reusable shopping bags.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand Product Stewardship programs for drug and SHARPS recycling to encourage and include pharmacies and pharmaceutical company participation.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand outreach and technical assistance to Homeowner Associations, multi-family residences, and seasonal residents to increase participation in the residential recycling and composting programs.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Disposal Services to provide incentives for homeowners to select the economy service.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Explore increasing the minimum requirements for construction and demolition waste to 65%, consistent with the CALGreen Tier I guidelines.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	Ordinance

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Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand commercial recycling and composting for businesses in the City by encouraging participation in waste audits and providing technical assistance focused on small businesses.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Unified School District to educate students about the lifecycle of consumer goods and food and promote recycling and composting at home.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Unified School District schools to increase recycling and composting.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Continue funding the Household Hazardous Waste and electronics recycling programs to provide the community a continuous opportunity to properly dispose of these waste products.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	

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Solid Waste + Recycling	Evaluate implementation of a recyclable take-out container program to reduce the use of non-recyclable take-out containers at restaurants across the City.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Implement net zero special events.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Develop and promote food sharing programs within Palm Springs, providing excess food to organizations that support food security.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Disposal Services (PSDS) to include food scraps as part of the green waste collection for residential uses.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Partner with PSDS to implement provisions of the California Commercial Organics legislation.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Pilot a small businesses and school food-composting and green waste program with PSDS for businesses not covered by State Commercial Organics legislation.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	

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Solid Waste + Recycling	Initiate a food scraps program at all City facilities, placing compost bins in all public locations and common areas.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent to the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Create policy and practices to provide healthy, locally-produced food and beverage options at City-sponsored events. Provide tap water rather than bottled water.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Short	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Food + Urban Agriculture	Encourage a city-supported "Meatless Monday" initiative.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Communications Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote healthier, more sustainable diets through collaborations with community-based organizations.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Support efforts to increase composting on non-edible food.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Provide incentives to SNAP participants to redeem benefits at local farmers markets.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	SNAP	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Support farmers markets and small retailers that sell healthy and locally produced food.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Local Farmers	

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Food + Urban Agriculture	Partner with a community-based organization to manage, maintain, and evaluate the potential for new community gardens.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue to expand the school garden program to additional campuses in Palm Springs.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Establish a neighborhood produce exchange.	Support community-based food systems.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Work with community partners to create a food share network (or citrus gleaning program) that allows homeowners, growers and other to donate excess food (citrus) to food-insecure residents in Palm Springs and surrounding communities.	Support community-based food systems.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue increasing the planting of fruit trees on publically-owned land.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote educational opportunities for residents and business to increase skills and knowledge of gardening, food preservation, and fruit production.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue providing rebates for homeowners who replace lawns and high-water plants with edible gardens.	Support community-based food systems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		

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Food + Urban Agriculture	Establish a pilot project to demonstrate alternative agriculture methods, such as permaculture, hydroponics, and aquaponics.	Support community-based food systems.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Evaluate alternative food source options such as Hydroponics and encourage business development for alternative methods of food production.	Support community-based food systems.	Long	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Incorporate urban agriculture uses into long range planning efforts, including the General Plan and zoning.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Immediate	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department		Ordinance
Food + Urban Agriculture	Examine city policies that relate to healthy food production.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Immediate	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Food + Urban Agriculture	Encourage innovative design in new development by incorporating community gardens, allotments, edible landscapes, or other community-based food systems.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Ongoing	Parks and Recreation Department, Planning Department	Riverside County Master Gardeners	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote efforts to expand urban food production on privately-owned land.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		

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Lead By Example	Form a collaboration between the Sustainability Commission, Mayor, and Green Team to establish an annual sustainability action goal.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Identify a senior staffer from each City department or agency to carry out sustainability measures.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short Term	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		
Lead By Example	Develop annual departmental work plans for sustainability that define three to five actions that the department will implement during the year.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Reconvene an inter-departmental Green Team that meets quarterly to share best practices, identify opportunities for collaboration, and discuss progress towards annual sustainability goals. Twice a year the meeting would be led by the City Manager and Council subcommittee and twice a year led by the Office of Sustainability.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Through the Green Team, define numeric goals for reductions in fuel consumption, energy and water use, solid waste generation for municipal operations and other health and sustainability issues.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Continue to increase capacity by adding additional full- or part-time staff to the Office of Sustainability.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources Department		

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Lead By Example	Publish an annual, standardized sustainability report card showing progress towards numeric goals and promoting departmental accomplishments.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Establish a process to incorporate sustainability into the planning and design process for capital improvement projects, screening projects using a triple bottom line approach and incorporating a life-cycle evaluation of costs and benefits.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		Resolution
Lead By Example	Whenever feasible, utilize post-consumer recycled content of at least 50% of the total mass of infrastructure materials: Roadways, parking lots, sidewalks, unit paving, and	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department, Public Works Department		
Lead By Example	During infrastructure construction, use recycled water to meet water needs where available.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Lead By Example	Encourage use of equipment to achieve a 60% average annual energy reduction below the estimated baseline energy use for those products.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		

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Lead By Example	Encourage use of construction equipment powered by alternative fuels such as compressed natural gas rather than conventional petroleum or diesel to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department		
Lead By Example	Encourage use of electric or hybrid-electric construction equipment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department, Building Department, Public Works Department		
Lead By Example	Conduct "Sustainability 101" trainings with all employees with approval from their supervisors.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Conduct bi-annual trainings of all employees on key sustainability topics and how to implement sustainability measures through existing City programs and processes.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Provide training and accreditation for select City staff related to LEED for Neighborhood Design, LEED New Construction, Well Building, the Living Building Challenge, EcoDistricts, Sustainable Sites, CALGreen, and other related building and urban design standards.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources		

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Lead By Example	Pilot healthy building design and/or retrofit at a City facility.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Long	Maintenance and Facilities Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Establish a workplace wellness program that identifies places around the City facilities to engage in physical activity and encourages employees to walk or bike to work, among other things.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Add healthy foods to vending machines and provide healthy snacks and tap water during meetings.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Place health-related posters (nutrition, physical activity) in public places.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Provide the opportunity for all employees to receive an annual ergonomic evaluation of their work area.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Support nursing mothers by providing comfortable rooms for expressing milk.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Provide regular, onsite health, wellness, and mental health services, including flu shots. Restrict the use of "Red List" chemical in municipal operations as defined by the Living Building Challenge.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Ongoing	Human Resources	Riverside County Department of Public Health	

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Lead By Example	Adopt a green purchasing policy that gives preference to goods and services that minimize exposure to toxic chemicals, prevent waste, reduce consumption of electricity, fuel, water or paper, conserve natural resources, and support sustainable manufacturing, fair trade, and the local economy.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Human Resources, Public Works Department		Ordinance
Lead By Example	Develop guidelines regarding purchasing and labor procurement with attention to fair labor practices.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Human Resources, Finance and Treasury Department		
Lead By Example	Expand the City's local preference ordinance to include social equity and environmental practices.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Lead By Example	Form a Green Citizen Academy to help teach the community about sustainability.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Lead By Example	Maintain a single, City sustainability website as a resource for the community.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Immediate	Information Tehcnology, Sustainability and Recycling Department		

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Lead By Example	Encourage community members of all ages to participate in Palm Springs Neighborhood Organizations, community improvement efforts, and civic affairs.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Lead By Example	Develop an engagement framework that moves from inform and consulting the community about planning and implementation efforts to collaborative decision making and empowerment.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Long	Planning Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Lead By Example	Continue working with the local network of sustainability-related groups to share resources, build partnerships, and unify outreach efforts.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Work with community partners and public and private schools to incorporate sustainability into curriculum.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Lead By Example	Continue implementing the Healthy Planet Healthy You program.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		

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Lead By Example	Support regional efforts through the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP) to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Public Works Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Lead By Example	Promote and participate in group purchasing of energy efficiency goods and services with other CVAG cities/tribes.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Finance and Treasury Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Lead By Example	Participate in the development and implementation of regional strategies to meet the requirements of AB 32 and SB 375.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Lead By Example	Continue participation in the Desert Cities Energy Partnership.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Lead By Example	Continue working with local jurisdictions to plan, design, and implementation regional transportation solutions.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan

# Legacy Tree Program



For additional information on the City of Palm Springs Arbor Day Program and how you can adopt a tree

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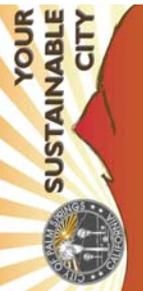
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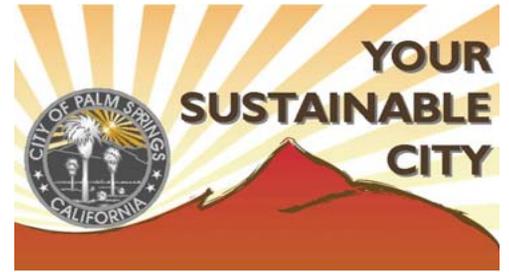
The Legacy Tree program is an innovative approach that the City of Palm Springs is taking to ensure the health of our urban forest while honoring those special people, places and organizations in our beloved community. By donating \$200.00 to the City's program the applicant receives a beautiful memorial as well as the assurance that the tree will endure and receive appropriate watering through these times of drought.



*City of Palm Springs*  
*Legacy Tree Program*



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# MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



[watermattersps.com](http://watermattersps.com)



# Legacy Tree Program



Would you like to memorialize a friend or loved one with a living tree? Want to show that you, a friend or your organization is an active, contributing member of the community? The City of Palm Springs has a tree adoption program designed with these purposes in mind.



In these times of drought the City of Palm Springs is seeking funding to ensure our City's trees survive. With irrigation changes that resulted as we stopped watering turf the need arose to add bubblers and ensure special watering be arranged for our trees to stay alive. By adopting a Legacy Tree you can help make this happen.

Once a tree has been dedicated it becomes a perfect meeting place for families or groups. Trees selected must be existing and within the boundaries of the City of Palm Springs.



## Who, What, Where, & When



Any individual or organization is welcome to participate in the Legacy Tree Adoption Program.

Details: The cost for tree adoption is \$200.00. The funds from tree adoption will offset costs of changes to irrigation to accommodate trees during the drought and in perpetuity.

Choose tree hugger, dedication stone or stake sign.



*TREE HUGGER*

*DEDICATION STONE*



*STAKE SIGN*



For more information on Legacy Tree adoption contact:

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## Legacy Tree Program



APPLICATION	
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Address: # and Street	
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Preferred Tree Location:	
Dedication: Personalize up to 3lines 30 characters per line except for dedication stone allowing 2 lines only. Suggested \$200.00 donation	
Please enclose the appropriate amount and make check payable to: <b>City of Palm Springs</b> With <i>Legacy Tree Program</i> in the Memo Line	
Mail or drop application to: City of Palm Springs Office of Sustainability Tree 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92264	



## Sustainability Commission of the City of Palm Springs, California



### Guidelines for Policy on Emerging Issues & Requests for Sustainability Commission Support or Endorsement:



1. Topic must relate to the City of Palm Springs or areas of CVAG/ SCAG influence.
2. If a standing committee is applicable, topic will be referred to that group. Otherwise, the Commission may create an ad hoc Subcommittee to examine the issue.
3. It is expected that the Subcommittee will hold a Public Study Session meeting to allow for interested parties to address the topic.
4. The Subcommittee will report to the full Commission when they determine the work has been accomplished.



# Subcommittee Report

PRESENTED FOR COMMISSION MEETING DATE: April 19, 2016

SUBMITTED BY: Brett Klein

SUBCOMMITTEE NAME: Active Transportation

SUBMITTED DATE: April 3, 2016

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATE: March 30, 2016

NEXT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATE:

## Subcommittee Meeting Goal:

### Plans for an Open Streets event for 2017

#### Summary:

Michele, Jeff and Brett were able to chat live and specifically discuss Cycledelic for 2016 and then the opportunity of staging an open streets event in 2017.

- For Cycledelic 2016, we determined that there was little excitement and/or desire to stage the event this year in October. Partly due to the downtown site issues due to construction
- We did determine that an Open Streets type of event could work for 2017

We discussed what that might look like for dates and/or what it would entail, but ultimately the idea still seems feasible and so here's what we're all thinking. We'd love your input however since an event of this size and structure will need all hands on deck for the planning and leg work if it is to happen at all.

Michele has been able to secure a grant for \$10,000.00 to put toward an Open Streets type of event, but the monies need to be utilized by June 30, 2017. That said, we are proposing our inaugural Cycledelic Open Streets event to be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017. While this is a departure from our initial discussions about a Fall event, the timing for the grant funds, and that May is Bike Month nationally, seemed to move our thinking to May.

The key to making this event a success as a benchmark for all things possible for biking, walking, strolling, etc, etc, will be to get the Tribe on board with us early and throughout. I've asked Michele to work to get us a meeting very soon with their events and planning/engineering staff people. This way we can find out early on whether or not the Tribe will embrace and support this one of a kind event within Section 14, and that they'll be a partner.

Another key element of this type of initiative is to determine a committee to work on this project. This would be a working committee and could include citizens as well, but the core group would be representatives from the key stakeholders list below.

Proposed date:

- Saturday, May 6, 2017

Location:

- Within Section 14: possibly between Alejo, Avenida Caballeros, Calle Encilia and Tahquitz (or other streets)

Production/Sponsorships:

- Jeff Hocker
- Office of Sustainability

Key Stakeholders:

- Sustainability Commission
- ATC
- City of Palm Springs
- Palm Springs Bike Coalition
- Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
- Parks & Recreation
- One-PS
- Bureau of Tourism
- PS Hospitality Association
- Others?

Thanks,  
Brett

**Recommendation/Request**

This type of event would also include a significant marketing and education component to it, and that would then be handled by Jeff Hocker as well. If this type of event seems doable and warranted, then we would meet up again very soon to discuss it in more detail and put our collective thoughts on paper. This would also focus our educational and awareness work that we'll be having Jeff take on soon.

And so, please review the above and send us all your thoughts and/or suggestions on this type of event and/or how you might want to be involved - if at all.

Resources for reading and understanding the Open Streets concept:

- <http://www.openstreetsmpls.org/>
- <http://openstreetsproject.org/>
- <http://openstreetsproject.org/open-streets-models/>
- [http://www.ciclavia.org/about\\_ciclavia](http://www.ciclavia.org/about_ciclavia)
- <http://openstreetsproject.org/ciclavia/>

<b>ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO COMMISSION</b>	
<b>ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY</b>	
<b>POTENTIAL FISCAL IMPACT/REQUEST IF ANY:</b>	

# Reducing Plastic Water Bottles on City Property

Office of the Board of Supervisors President David Chiu

- Background on Proposed Legislation -

## INFORMATION ONLY

### OUR ADDICTION TO BOTTLED WATER

Every 27 hours Americans consume enough bottled water to circle the globe with plastic bottles stacked end to end. Every year Americans buy 35 billion single-serving plastic water bottles.

Eight out of ten plastic water bottles end up in a landfill. Hundreds of millions end up littering our streets, beaches, bay and ocean.

Plastic water bottles require a significant amount of energy to manufacture, transport, and eventually recycle. According to the campaign Ban the Bottle, it takes 17 million barrels of oil per year to make all the plastic water bottles used in the U.S. alone. That's enough to fuel 1.3 million cars for a year. It takes an estimated 2000 times more energy to produce bottled water than it does to produce an equivalent amount of tap water.

Bottled water is not tested for biological, chemical, or radioactive contaminants. In fact, it is often filled right from the tap. San Franciscans are lucky to have access to healthy, pristine Hetch Hetchy Tap water.

### SUPERVISOR CHIU'S PROPOSED LEGISLATION

***Events on City Property and in City Facilities:*** Individual serving plastic bottled water would not be permitted to be sold or distributed at large (over 1,000 attendees) paid-admission events, or at large free-admission events when there is a potable source of water available on the City Property that can be reliably used to meet the hydration needs of attendees. Events at which individual serving plastic bottled water is prohibited shall still ensure the availability of water to guests by providing water (free or for sale) at stations connected to the potable plumbing infrastructure or another potable water source (water truck, etc.).

Exclusions:

- Events that already have an approved permit, or have filed an application for a permit by the time the law goes into effect.
- Races, marathons, and other sporting events

City Departments would have the authority to waive these requirements if the event producer demonstrates that providing water alternatives is not feasible, or for other significant reasons.

***Concessions/Vendors on City Property and in City Facilities:*** Individual serving plastic bottled water could not be sold or distributed by any *new* vendors/concessions signing leases for operation on City Property and in City Facilities.

Exclusions:

- Concessions/vendors in San Francisco Airport facilities.
- City Facilities and Property used for sporting events.

***City Departments:*** The ordinance would codify San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom's 2007 Executive Order 07-05 prohibiting most City Departments from purchasing bottled water.

## THE MOVEMENT TO REDUCE PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES IS GROWING

- ✓ San Francisco became the first city in 2007 to phase out city spending on bottled water, paving the way for cities and parks across the country to think outside the bottle.
- ✓ Dozens of universities have bottled-water-free policies that are in different stages of implementation.
- ✓ There are 14 bottled-water-free national parks, including large parks such as Grand Canyon National Park. There are efforts underway to add more national parks to this list.
- ✓ In 2013, the City of Concord became the first US City to go bottled-water-free. Their law prohibits the sale of non-sparkling, unflavored drinking water in single-serving plastic bottles of 1L or less.
- ✓ In 2008 the Toronto City Council approved a water bottle ban to take effect in January of 2012. The ban, which affects most of Toronto's parks and park facilities, prohibits the sale and distribution of water bottles in all City facilities and parks. Numerous municipalities across Canada have bottle bans or restrictions in place in facilities and/or parks.
- ✓ San Francisco has a longstanding commitment to environmental sustainability by educating residents about the environmental, economic, and health benefits of drinking tap water. Supervisor Chiu has partnered with our SFPUC, Airport, school district and the Department of the Environment on a number of programs and efforts to promote San Francisco's fantastic Hetch Hetchy water. He has also sponsored first-in-the nation legislation that would require installing bottle filling water fountains in new construction in the City

## EVENTS AND WATER ALTERNATIVES

There are many alternative water provision options available to event producers, and this number continues to grow. These alternatives include water fountains that attach to municipal water lines, water trucks, and refillable tanks.

Large events such as Outside Lands, produced by Another Planet, have proven that significant change is possible. Since Outside Lands implemented its refillable water program in 2009, plastic bottle consumption has decreased by  $\frac{2}{3}$ . In 2012 the event went through 1680 reusable 5-gallon water jugs, which is the equivalent of 10,752 20oz plastic water bottles.

In 2012, the Port Commission of San Francisco passed the Policy for Zero Waste Events and Activities, which among other things restricts the sale, use, and distribution of plastic bottles on Port property at events with over 5,000 attendees. This policy will apply to the America's Cup event.

**For more information, contact Catherine Rauschuber, legislative assistant to Supervisor David Chiu, at [catherine.rauschuber@sfgov.org](mailto:catherine.rauschuber@sfgov.org) or (415) 554-7450.**

## EVENT WATER DISPENSING RESOURCES

**The Water Monster** – Mobile water distribution system. For purchase only. Easily transportable when empty.

<http://thewatermonster.com>

**US Pure Water** – Mobile, filtered, stainless steel tap water distribution stations. Can truck in water with no on-site access.

<http://uspw.net/solutions/event-producers>

**Flexi Fountain** – Mobile, drinking fountain with 6 sipping stations.

<http://www.flexidrinkinfountain.com>

<http://inhabitat.com/nyc/mobile-water-on-the-go-stations-keep-thirsty-crowds-quenched-with-delicious-nyc-tap-water/water-on-the-go-3/>

**Tap Minneapolis Prototype Drinking Fountain** – Just a prototype but isn't it cool?

<http://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=106223092290&set=a.106207377290.94801.86013327290&type=3&theater>

**City of Toronto Owned Mobile Water Trailer** – Provided for free to events in the City limits.

<http://www.toronto.ca/water/htotogo/index.htm>

**Event Water Solutions** – Stainless steel, filtered water refill stations, hooked up to municipal water source.

<http://www.eventwatersolutions.com/>

**Green Mary** – Zero waste event service provider in SF. Rental and set up of tap water distribution systems.

<http://www.green->

[mary.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=65&Itemid=58](http://www.green-mary.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=65&Itemid=58)

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Bottled Water Alternatives Purchasing Guide**

[http://www.stopcorporateabuse.org/sites/default/files/resources/rpn\\_purchasing\\_guide\\_0.pdf](http://www.stopcorporateabuse.org/sites/default/files/resources/rpn_purchasing_guide_0.pdf)

**Denver's Fountain and Hydrant Connection Rules for Events**

<http://www.denverwater.org/BillingRates/RatesCharges/SpecialCharges/ConnectionsSpecialEvents/>

**Toronto Bottled Water Ban on City Property**

[http://www.toronto.ca/parks/permits/general-information/water\\_bottle\\_ban.htm](http://www.toronto.ca/parks/permits/general-information/water_bottle_ban.htm)

**Relevant Clip from "The Graduate"**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CsrLHP26zvK>

FILE NO.

ORDINANCE NO.

1 [Environment Code - Bottled Water]

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**Ordinance amending the Environment Code to [BAN THE SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF DRINKING WATER IN RIGID PLASTIC BOTTLES OF 16 OUNCES OR LESS]; and making environmental findings.**

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10 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

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Section 1. Environmental Findings. The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is incorporated herein by reference.

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Section 2. Findings.

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1 Section 3. The San Francisco Environment Code is hereby amended by adding  
2 Chapter 25, Sections 2501 through 2509, to read as follows:

3 **Chapter 25: Bottled Drinking Water**

4 Sec. 2501. Title.

5 Sec. 2502. Definitions.

6 Sec. 2503. Sale Or Distribution Of Bottled Water Restricted.

7 Sec. 2504. Alternative Water Supplies For Event On City Property.

8 Sec. 2505. New Leases, Permits, And Agreements.

9 Sec. 2506. Permits For Use Of City Streets.

10 Sec. 2507. Barring Use Of City Funds For Purchase Of Bottled Water.

11 Sec. 2508. Implementation.

12 Sec. 2509. Enforcement And Penalties.

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14 **SEC. 2501. TITLE.**

15 The title of this Chapter shall be the San Francisco Bottled Water Ordinance.

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17 **SEC. 2502. DEFINITIONS.**

18 For purposes of this Chapter,

19 “Bottled Water” means drinking water in a sealed Rigid Plastic Bottle having a capacity of 16  
20 fluid ounces or less.

21 “City Property” means real property, including any buildings thereon, owned or leased by the  
22 City and County of San Francisco (“City”), and in the City’s possession or in the possession of a  
23 public or private entity under contract with the City to perform a public purpose, including but not  
24 limited to the following property: recreational and park property including but not limited to Golden  
25 Gate Park, the San Francisco Zoo, Hilltop Park and San Francisco’s parks and playgrounds, plazas

1 including but not limited to United Nations Plaza and Hallidie Plaza, community centers such as Ella  
2 Hill Hutch Community Center, and property of the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Port, and  
3 the Public Utilities Commission. "City Property" does not include a "City Street."

4 "City Street" means the public right-of-way owned by the City, including any area across,  
5 along, on, over, upon, and within the dedicated public alleys, boulevards, courts, lanes, roads,  
6 sidewalks, streets, and ways within the City.

7 "City Funds" means all monies or other assets received and managed by, or which are  
8 otherwise under the control of, the Treasurer, and any notes, bonds, securities, certificates of  
9 indebtedness or other fiscal obligations issued by the City and County.

10 "Covered Event" means (1) a paid-admission event taking place in or on City Property, when  
11 the anticipated attendance is 1,000 persons or more, or (2) a free-admission event taking place in or on  
12 City Property, when the anticipated attendance is 1,000 persons or more.

13 "Mineral water" means drinking water containing more than 500 milligrams per liter of total  
14 dissolved solids and/or one or more chemical constituents in excess of the concentrations listed in the  
15 Federal Bottled Water Quality Standards (Title 21, Code of Federal Regs., Sec. 165.110).

16 "Rigid Plastic Bottle" means any formed or molded container comprised predominantly of  
17 plastic resin, having a relatively inflexible fixed shape or form, having a neck that is smaller than the  
18 container body, and intended primarily as a single service container. "Rigid Plastic Bottle" includes a  
19 compostable plastic bottle.

20 "Water" includes: natural spring or well water; water taken from municipal or private utility  
21 systems or other sources; distilled, deionized, filtered, or other purified water; or any of the foregoing  
22 to which chemicals may be added. "Water" does not include: mineral water; carbonated or sparkling  
23 water; soda, seltzer, or tonic water; or flavored water, also marketed as fitness water, vitamin water,  
24 enhanced water, energy water, or other similar products. "Water" does not include those food  
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1 ingredients that are listed in ingredient labeling as "water," "carbonated water," "disinfected water,"  
2 or "filtered water."

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4 **SEC. 2503. SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF BOTTLED WATER RESTRICTED.**

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, no person may sell or distribute Bottled Water  
6 at a Covered Event held in or on City Property, including selling or offering Bottled Water for sale or  
7 distribution in a vending machine.

8 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to a Covered Event which is an Athletic  
9 Event. An "Athletic Event" is an event in which a group of people collectively engage in a sport or  
10 form of physical exercise in or on a City Facility, including but not limited to jogging, bicycling,  
11 racewalking, roller skating or running.

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13 **SEC. 2504. ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLIES FOR EVENT ON CITY PROPERTY.**

14 (a) Sponsors of Covered Events held in or on City property must make sufficient supplies of  
15 drinking water available to attendees, by:

16 (1) Providing for the sale or free distribution of drinking water at stations connected to  
17 an existing drinking water plumbing system or other source of drinking water, such as a water truck;

18 (2) Providing for the sale or free distribution of drinking water in glass bottles,  
19 aluminum cans, paper cups, or other containers not prohibited by this Chapter;

20 (3) Providing for the sale or free distribution of drinking water in plastic bottles larger  
21 than 16 ounces; or,

22 (4) Any other method approved by the City Administrator.

23 (b) The responsible City department may waive the requirements of Section 2503(a) and  
24 Section 2504(a) if the event sponsor demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that providing  
25 alternative water supplies or containers is not feasible.

1            (c) Departments that permit events on their properties and in their facilities shall, by  
2 November 1, 2013, determine which properties that are frequently used for events have a reliable on-  
3 site supply of drinking water that could be used by event sponsors.

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5 **SEC. 2505. NEW LEASES, PERMITS, AND AGREEMENTS.**

6            (a) Starting January 1, 2014, all new leases, permits, or agreements awarded by the City  
7 allowing any person to use City Property for purposes that contemplate or would allow the sale or  
8 distribution of beverages (collectively, "leases") shall specifically provide that the lessee may not  
9 engage in or allow the sale or distribution of Bottled Water on such property. This requirement does  
10 not apply to concessions/vendors at San Francisco Airport facilities, or in or on City Property when  
11 such property is being used for an Athletic Event. The City shall not renew, extend, or materially  
12 amend such a lease after the effective date of this Chapter unless the lease specifically provides that the  
13 lessee shall not engage in or allow the sale or distribution of Bottled Water on such property.

14            (b) In the case of any bid proposal or solicitation, request for bid or proposal, or contract for  
15 vendors or concessions to be operated on City Property, the City shall not require or permit the sale or  
16 distribution of Bottled Water on such property.

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18 **SEC. 2506. PERMITS FOR USE OF CITY STREETS.**

19            (a) Starting January 1, 2014, all permits, easements, or other agreements or permissions issued  
20 by the City for an event or activity to be held on a City Street (collectively, "permits") shall specifically  
21 provide that the permittee shall not engage in or allow the sale or distribution of Bottled Water at the  
22 activity or event. This requirement shall not apply where the anticipated attendance for the event or  
23 activity is fewer than 1,000 persons.

1           (b) Starting January 1, 2014, all Mobile Food Facility permits issued under Article 58 of the  
2 Public Works Code shall specifically provide that the permittee shall not engage in or allow the sale or  
3 distribution of Bottled Water as part of the operation of the Facility.

4           (c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to street excavation or construction permits, agreements for  
5 the use of City right-of-way where a contracting utility has the power of eminent domain, or where the  
6 City grants the general public access to enter or use a City Street without requiring issuance of a  
7 permit.

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9           **SEC. 2507. BARRING USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF BOTTLED WATER.**

10           (a) Starting January 1, 2014, no City officer or department shall use City Funds to purchase  
11 Bottled Water.

12           (b) It shall be City policy not to have drinking water systems in City offices or facilities that use  
13 water bottles of any size where satisfactory alternatives exist and are feasible at the location under  
14 consideration. It shall further be City policy to conform drinking water systems in City offices or  
15 facilities to this goal where reasonable by the end of 2016.

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17           **SEC. 2508. IMPLEMENTATION.**

18           (a) The Director of the Department of the Environment may adopt any rules and regulations  
19 necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and requirements of this ordinance.

20           (b) This Chapter shall not apply to a Covered Event or an event held on a City street where the  
21 sponsor applied for or received the permit prior to June 11, 2013. Nothing in this Chapter shall be  
22 construed to impair a contract, lease, or other legally-binding agreement to which the City is a party  
23 on the effective date of this Chapter.

24           (c) The provisions of Sections 2505 and 2506 shall not apply where the responsible City officer  
25 finds that the inclusion or application of such provisions would violate or be inconsistent with the terms

1 or conditions of a grant, subvention or contract with an agency of the State of California or the United  
2 States or the instructions of an authorized representative of any such agency with respect to any such  
3 grant, subvention or contract.

4 (d) In addition to any other waiver expressly provided for in this Chapter, any City officer or  
5 department may seek a waiver of any provision of this Chapter by filing a request on a form specified  
6 by the Director of the Department of the Environment. The Director, consistent with this Chapter, may  
7 waive the provision for a period of up to one year at a time if the officer or department demonstrates to  
8 the Director's satisfaction that strict application of the provision would create an undue hardship or  
9 practical difficulty not generally applicable to other persons in similar circumstances, or that  
10 circumstances otherwise warrant granting of the waiver. The Director's decision to grant or deny a  
11 waiver shall be in writing and shall be final.

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13 **SEC. 2509. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES.**

14 (a) Any person who violates any provision of Sections 2503 and 2504 or of an administrative  
15 regulation adopted under this Article to implement those Sections may be punished by administrative  
16 finer imposed by the Director of the Department of the Environment in the amount of:

17 (1) Up to \$50 for the first violation;

18 (2) Up to \$100 for a second violation within a twelve-month period; and,

19 (3) Up to \$500 for a third and subsequent violations within a twelve-month period.

20 (b) Except as provided in subsection (a), setting forth the amount of administrative fines,  
21 Administrative Code Chapter 100, "Procedures Governing the Imposition of Administrative Fines," as  
22 may be amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated in its entirety and shall govern the  
23 imposition, enforcement, collection, and review of administrative citations issued by the Director to  
24 enforce this Article or any administrative regulation adopted under this Article.

1 Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days from the  
2 date of passage.

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5 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
6 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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8 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
9 ATTORNEY'S NAME  
Deputy City Attorney

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# SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

PRESENTED FOR COMMISSION MEETING DATE: 04/19/16

SUBMITTED BY: David Freedman

SUBCOMMITTEE NAME: Green Building / Solar (with Planning Commission liaison)

SUBMITTED DATE: 04/13/16

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATES: 03/17/16 and 03/31/16

NEXT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATE: 04/21/16

### Subcommittee Meeting Goals:

1. Discuss roadmap for consideration of mandatory green building program for new construction
2. Discuss requiring energy audits in connection with residential property sales.
3. Plan presentation on CVAG Green Building Program for ONE-PS

### Summary:

1. Subcommittee members discussed a roadmap for considering making the CVAG Green for Life Green Building Program mandatory for new construction. They will review the revisions to the California Green Building Standards adopted by the California Building Standards Commission and identify gaps between the state requirements and the CVAG Green for Life Green Building Program. They will then consider recommending a timetable for phased-in adoption of the CVAG Green for Life Green Building Program, to fill in the gaps.
2. None at this time discussed requiring energy audits to be conducted at the time of a residential property transfer and preparing an energy audit checklist as a guideline for residential property purchasers.
3. Subcommittee members discussed doing a presentation on the CVAG Green Building Program for ONE-PS. David Freedman is liaising with ONE-PS on their program, which will occur on April 21.

### Recommendation/Request

None at this time

ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO COMMISSION	None at this time
ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY	None at this time
POTENTIAL FISCAL IMPACT/REQUEST IF ANY:	None determinable at this time



# SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

PRESENTED FOR COMMISSION MEETING DATE: April 19, 2016

SUBMITTED BY: Joe Jackson, Thom Bettinger, Grant Wilson

SUBCOMMITTEE NAME: Wellness Sub-Committee

SUBMITTED DATE: April 6, 2016

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATE: April 5, 2016

NEXT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATE: TBD

**Subcommittee Meeting Goal:**

The Wellness Sub-committee seeks to develop policies, encourage activities, and share information which promotes healthy living in Palm Springs.

**Summary:**

The sub-committee met to review Action Items related to Health and Wellness from all chapters in the proposed new Sustainability Master Plan. Items with a “short” or “intermediate” time frame were the focus of discussion. Those that look most promising for the next two months and for 2016-17 include:

1. Connecting with neighborhoods to have “Healthy Planet, Healthy You” events.
2. Find a partner as co-sponsor for a health and wellness lecture series.
3. Examine local, on-line event calendars as resources for our directory of wellness resources.
4. Examine city policies related to health and wellness.
5. Continue to encourage a close relationship with Parks and Recreation as a wellness partner.

**Recommendation/Request**

None at this time.

<b>ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO COMMISSION</b>	
<b>ACTION ITEMS REQUEST TO OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY</b>	
<b>POTENTIAL FISCAL IMPACT/REQUEST IF ANY:</b>	