



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 Palm Springs City Hall, Large Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at **6:05** p.m.

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

AGENDA APPROVAL: The agenda was presented by Chair Jackson. A motion to approve as presented by Vice Chair Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Goins and unanimously carried.

	<u>This Meeting</u>	<u>Present to Date</u>	<u>FY 2016/2017 Excused Absences</u>	<u>FY 2016/2017 Unexcused Absences</u>
Joe Jackson	X	51		
Grant Wilson	X	52		
Roy Clark	X	15		
David Freedman	X	26		
Jennifer Futterman	X	16		
Greg Gauthier	E	6	2	
John Goins	X	7	2	
Robert McCann	E	14	4	
Michael Wangler	E	6	2	

X = Present

E = Excused (notified Chair and Staff of absence)

L = Late

U = did not notify of absence

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Jay Virata, Director of Community & Economic Development, Daniel DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant, Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator.

CITY MANAGER AND ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT –

No Report

COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS

Planning Commission – Lisa Middleton, No report

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – None

B. MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2017 meeting minutes approval: Motion by Commissioner Freedman to approve as amended, second by Commissioner Clark and unanimously approved.

C. RECYCLING REPORT, Gary Calhoun reported that he met with Chris Cunningham from PSDS and Andrew Smith, Local Area Representative from the State of California regarding the AB1826 annual report. Mr. Smith stated that the City is doing well and that Commercial and Organic recycling will begin to be audited more thoroughly. Comments and questions from the commissioners were presented and discussed.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers for 2017-18

Vice Chair Wilson stated that he will step down as Vice Chair

Commissioner Freedman offered his name for Vice Chair

Vice Chair Wilson nominated Commissioner Clark

Both candidates made brief statements.

In a ballot vote, Commissioner Clark was elected Vice Chair for the FY 2016-17 Session.

Commissioner Wilson nominated Commissioner Jackson for Chair, there were no other nominations and Commissioner Jackson will continue as Chair for the FY 2017-18 session.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Plans for Sustainability Booth at the Farmer's Market - Commissioner Wangler - no update, continued to the October meeting.
2. Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy possible projects for grants – Commissioner Gauthier. No report
3. Resolution on Construction and Demolition Hauling – Commissioners McCann and Clark
Commissioner Clark requested that the report be postponed until the October meeting.
4. Review of updated Bike Map, First Draft – Discussion on any changes/additions to map. Commissioner Goins gave a review of the updates on the bike map and asked if anyone had any updates to the map. Comments and questions from the commissioners on the above were presented and discussed.

F. COMMITTEE AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS – AS SUBMITTED

In an effort to save time due to a shorter meeting, Committee and Commissioner Reports were presented as submitted, no further comment unless needed. Timing allowed for some comments from the Commissioners:

1. Standing Committee on Green Building, Commissioners Freedman and Goins
Commissioner Freedman reported that the Energy Commission had workshops on the 2019 Green Building Codes and the recommendations coming out of those workshops.
2. Standing Committee on Solar Mandate, Commissioners Freedman and Middleton – As Submitted.
3. Standing Committee on Waste Reduction, Commissioners McCann and Clark – As Submitted.
4. Standing Committee on Active Transportation, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Gauthier –
Commissioner Wilson reported that the City Engineer did prepare a grant application for pedestrian planning.
5. Ad Hoc Committee on Budget, Commissioners Goins, Clark and Wangler – As Submitted.
6. Ad Hoc Committee on Bicycle Route Maps, Commissioners Goins and Wangler. No further report.
7. Wellness, Commissioner Futterman – No report
8. Water, Commissioner Freedman – As Submitted.
9. Outreach, Commissioner Futterman reported that she was approached by a woman regarding the Wild and Scenic Film Festival and Commissioner Futterman would like to add an agenda item for October to show a trailer on the festival for possible funding by the Commission
Comments and questions from the commissioners on the above reports were presented and discussed.

G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Freedman reported on possibly working with ONE-PS on a “Milkweeds for Monarchs” project.

H. STAFF COMMENTS –

Director Virata congratulated the Commission on winning the California Association of Planners 2017 Innovation in Green Community Planning Award of Excellence.

- I. **ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourned at 6:43 PM by a motion from Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Vice Chair Clark. They adjourned to the Regular Meeting to be held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 in the Large Conference Room at the Palm Springs City Hall. The Sustainability Commission's regular meeting schedule is at 5 p.m. the third Tuesday each month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay Virata, Director of Community and Economic Development, For the Office of Sustainability