

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



STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 24, 2016 Palm Springs City Hall, Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at **5:03** p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Chair Jackson

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 Chair Jackson. A motion to approve as presented by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Otto 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	41		
Grant Wilson	E	42	1	
Roy Clark	X	4		
Nancy Ferguson	X	14	1	
David Freedman	E	15	1	
Jennifer Futterman	X	5		
Robert McCann	E	6	1	Left Early
Nate Otto	X	22	2	

X = Present

E = Excused (notified Chair and Staff of absence)

L = Late

U = did not notify of absence

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Dan DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant; Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator; Marcus Fuller, Assistant City Manager/City Engineer; Staci Schafer, Director of Maintenance and Facilities

Also Present: Former Sustainability Manager Michele Mician

Chair Statement:

Chair Jackson reported on the impact of leaf blowers and the next steps for future proposals in the City of Palm Springs. A Power Point presentation was provided.

Public Comments:

Approximately 28 persons attended the Study Session and 13 persons spoke in public comment. 65+ emails were received in advance of the meeting, as well as many other messages through social media.

The following persons spoke for or against a leaf blower ban in the City of Palm Springs:

- Roxann Ploss, Palm Springs
- Darryl Ponicsan, Palm Springs
- William Miller, Palm Springs
- Ron Siegel, Palm Springs
- Kerstin Pollack, Palm Springs
- Louie Horvath, Palm Springs
- Robert Findley, Palm Springs
- Cathy Wolff, Palm Springs – Canyon Sands HOA Board
- Gary L. Nudell, Palm Springs
- Doug Huth, Palm Springs
- Cecilia Poniscan, Palm Springs
- Tim Erkins, Palm Springs
- Joan Martin, Palm Springs

ADJOURNMENT - The Study Session meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourned at 5:53 PM by a motion from Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Otto. Unanimously approved. They adjourned to the Regular Meeting to be held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 in the City Hall Large Conference Room. 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,

Staci Schafer, Director of Maintenance and Facilities
For the Office of Sustainability