



## STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 23, 2018 Welwood Murray Memorial Library Community Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at **5:00** 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 posted by Commissioner Spry and seconded by Commissioner Santora and unanimously carried.

		Present	FY 2017/2018	FY 2017/2018
	<u>This Meeting</u>	<u>to Date</u>	<u>Excused Absences</u>	<u>Unexcused Absences</u>
Joe Jackson	X	59		
Roy Clark	X	23		
Grant Wilson	E	59	1	
David Freedman	X	34		
Jennifer Futterman	X	22	2	
Greg Gauthier	X	14	2	
John Goins	E	13	4	
Robert McCann	X	22	4	
T Santora	X	3	3	
Carl Baker	X	4		
Jessica Spry	X	5		
Dara Shay – Student Rep	E	5	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, and Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator.

**CITY MANAGER / STAFF COMMENTS** – None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** –

Lani Miller, Palm Springs spoke on Implementation Science, The Buzz trolley and recycle containers.

**A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** – Chair Jackson welcomed Councilmember Geoff Kors to the Study Session along with all who were present.

**B. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Presentation by Councilmember Kors regarding Council Priorities for Sustainability and other related topics. - Councilmember Kors outlined priority areas the City Council is interested in. The topics include Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (Tesla and others); Community Choice Aggregation; Carbon free energy choices; ban on polystyrene take out containers; Bike sharing operations; Construction and Demolition recycling efforts; the upcoming gasoline powered leaf blower ban; Riverside County Tobacco Retailers Permit (TRP) ordinance and smoking ban in public places ordinance; and providing an Action Summary from the Sustainability Commission to the City Council for informational purposes.
2. Presentation by Sustainability Commission members regarding current and future initiatives.
3. Discussion of Priorities and Action Plans: 2018-2019, 2019-2020 – Chair Jackson led a discussion with the Commissioners and Councilman Kors on areas of interest by the Commissioners designated as priorities for the Commission. The topics include a Pedestrian Plan; Indian Canyon two-way conversion; Water conservation; Sustainable Economy; Green Energy Jobs; Access to Fresh Food; Waste

Reduction Facilities and Containers; Composting; the Salton Sea; Solar Energy; Green Building Efforts; and Zero Net Energy (ZNE) Education.

4. Budget Report FY 2017-18 Year-to-Date, and Projection FY 2018-2019. A brief summary of the FY 2018-19 budget was presented by Director Virata for review by the Commissioners.

**C. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS** - None

**D. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourned at 6:58 PM by a motion from Commissioner Santora and seconded by Commissioner Spry and approved by a unanimous vote. They adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the Sustainability Commission to be held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, in the Large Conference Room at the Palm Springs City Hall, 3200 E Palm Canyon Way, Palm Springs CA 92262. 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