



## SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, by Governor Newsom, this meeting was conducted by teleconference and there was no in-person public access to the meeting location.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Clark called the meeting to order at **5:34** p.m.

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

	<u>This Meeting</u>	<u>Present to Date</u>	<u>FY 2021/2022 Excused Absences</u>	<u>FY 2021/2022 Unexcused Absences</u>
Roy Clark, Chair	X	64		
David Freedman	X	74		
Jennifer Futterman	X	49	3	2
Carl Baker	X	39	1	
Jake Torrens	X	10	3	
Don Barrett	X	11		
Randy Evans	X	9	2	

X = Present  
L = Late

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

**REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA:** The Agenda was available for public access at the City Hall exterior bulletin board (west side of the Council Chambers) by 5:30 PM Thursday, May 12, 2022 and posted on the City's website as required by established policies and procedures.

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Flinn Fagg, Deputy City Manager and Tracy Sheldon, Interim Director, Office of Sustainability

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Interim Director Sheldon stated Commissioner Ocañas provided her resignation from the Sustainability Commission due to moving out of area. Chair Clark stated Commissioner Ocañas provided good contributions to the Dark Sky effort and she will be missed.

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:** Chair Clark asked if there were any objections to the agenda for the May 17, 2022 meeting. There were no objections, and the agenda was declared accepted.

**GUESTS PRESENT:** David Anderson, Denise Anderson, Antonella Zamora Galvez, Natalie Lessa

**ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:** Chair Clark stated the selection of a Chair and Vice Chair has been discussed at previous Commission meeting and that the selection would occur prior to the end of June due to the current Chair and Vice Chair meeting the end their terms and to provide time for overlapping. Commissioner Barrett was nominated for Sustainability Commission Chair and Commissioner Evans was nominated for Sustainability Commission Vice Chair. A formal roll call vote unanimously accepted the selection of Don Barrett as Chair and Randy Evans as Vice Chair. [Note that the change in Chair was set to be effective at the time of the election, thus the document initially refers to Chair Clark and Commissioner Barrett, but titles are changed after the vote.]

### STAFF COMMENTS

- Interim Director Sheldon stated City staff is continuing to work with local contractors for the signage and a ribbon cutting ceremony is in the planning process for the Airport Demonstration Garden.

- For EV chargers, staff is continuing to work on identifying if the EV chargers through the SCE Charge Ready grant can be transferred to DCE. Additionally, staff had an onsite meeting with Carbon Solutions Group today and performed a site walk at the City's Maintenance Yard, Police Department and Airport to identify locations for proposed Phase 2 of EV charger installations. Staff advised Carbon Solutions Group of Palm Springs default power provider being DCE as a 100% carbon free power source. Staff has requested Carbon Solutions Group provide 2 proposals – one utilizing the Charge Ready grant funds and one without and being powered from DCE.
  - Commissioner Freedman stated he has confirmed with SCE that chargers obtained through SCE's Charge Ready program do not need to be on SCE's power and can be powered by DCE power.
- For leaf blower enforcement, staff is working on the May enforcement letters and currently have 53 letters to create and mail for May 1-17.
- For Sustainability scholarships, staff continues outreach to local businesses to apply for the Sustainability Scholarship program which focuses on assisting businesses with compliance of the Food Ware Ordinance, EV chargers and electric leaf blowers. Since the April meeting, we have approved 7 applications and have received 12 new inquiries.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- David Anderson, resident at Casa de Oro stated he was attending the meeting to find out more about sustainability and practices which can be implemented in his community.
- Denise Anderson, resident at Casa de Oro stated she was attending the meeting to find out more information about EV chargers.

## **A. PRESENTATIONS - None**

## **B. MEETING MINUTES**

- Chair Barrett inquired if there were any objections to the meeting minutes for the Regular March 15, 2022 and April 19, 2022 meeting minutes. There were no objections, and the meeting minutes were accepted unanimously.

## **C. OLD BUSINESS**

1. City Council Priorities and Work Plan Process – Deputy City Manager Fagg reported
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg reported on City Council priorities and provided a brief history that the priorities were identified during the City Council study session held in February 2022 with Sustainability being 25% of the City Council priorities. In order to achieve the priorities, additional staffing is required in the form of hiring a Director for the Office of Sustainability. Interviews have been held and it is anticipated to have an offer on the position by the end of the month. City Council has identified the need for two additional staff members, Sustainability Associates, which are proposed for next year's budget.
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg stated the next highest priority is the update to the solid waste hauler franchise agreement which is necessary for the implementation of SB 1383. This item is going before City Council on May 26, 2022 and staff has scheduled this item to go before City Council up to three times.
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg shared the next priority is getting current capital projects completed. Phase 1 of the EV Charger expansion is currently underway with the assistance of the Engineering Department and also finalizing the Airport Demonstration Garden project.
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg stated the Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy needs to stay with the Sustainability Commission before being brought back to City Council after a Sustainability Director is in place.
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg shared that the enforcement of the Food Ware Ordinance is another priority of the City Council, which will be addressed by the Sustainability Director.
  - Deputy City Manager Fagg stated there is additional work to be done on the Greenhouse Gas analysis and that city staff is working with the consultant to establish the cost of the additional study.

2. Smoking Ordinance – Commissioner Baker reported

- Commissioner Baker provided an update that the Smoking Ordinance had been passed to the Human Rights Commission for their final approval and no edits or changes were made. The Ordinance is ready to be presented to City Council at a date to be determined.
- Deputy City Manager Fagg inquired if the Ordinance needed to go back to the Sustainability Commission and Commissioner Baker confirmed it did not need to go back to the Sustainability Commission since there were no changes.

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Challenges for Boards and Commissions – Chair Barrett reported

- Chair Barrett provided an overview of the discussion of challenges to City Boards and Commissions from the May 12, 2022 City Council meeting and then provided a preview of the responses from the Commission Chair Barrett and Commissioner Clark prepared for each of the identified challenges.
- Commissioner Clark stated this was an item that was brought up before the last commission meeting, which provided time to prepare proposed responses and to discuss at this evening's meeting.
- Challenge #1: The City currently has 14 Boards and Commissions (including a "Committee"), most of which are created to advise Council on policy but sometimes participate in administrative work. Recommendation: Realign ordinances, bylaws, and practices to reflect advisory roles. Delegate ongoing administrative work to the few Commissions that have this responsibility, such as Planning Commission and Architectural Review. Reserve all other delegated tasks on a case-by-case basis.
  - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #1: The Sustainability Commission supports the recommendation to realign ordinances, bylaws, and practices to emphasize advisory roles. Administrative work required to enforce organics disposal and food ware requirements will be performed by the additional Sustainability Staff the City plans to hire.
- Challenge #2: Boards and Commissions vary in size from 5 to 19. Larger Commissions sometimes struggle with attendance, continuity, and efficiency. Recommendation: Reduce Commissions to 5 or 7 members with the possible exception of the Airport Commission. Consider reducing the size of the Airport Commission in a way that still emphasizes regional participation. For instance, a 7-member Airport Commission could have 4 appointees from Palm Springs and 3 appointed from the mid-Valley, East-Valley and unincorporated Riverside County, respectively. Item 3B – 2.
  - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #2: The Sustainability Commission supports the recommendation to reduce the number of members on commissions. The Sustainability Commission should be reduced to seven members (including Chair and Vice Chair). To Commissioners for discussion at the May 17 meeting: do you agree with this number of members?
  - The Commission recommends that Work Groups be established as needed for specific tasks. The period of performance would be specified, and Work Groups could include people outside of the Commission.
- Challenge #3: All Commission meetings were instructed to be held at 5:30. This creates some scheduling conflicts and makes the logistics of hybrid meetings more difficult. Recommendation: Consider allowing Commissions to schedule meetings at other times as long as transparency with recorded meetings and convenient options for public input are maintained.
  - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #3: The Sustainability Commission supports creating flexibility in meeting times. Historically, the Sustainability Commission has met at 5:00 pm on the third Tuesday. The time changed to 5:30 pm in 2020 per City Council direction. Following some discussion, it was the consensus of the Commissioners that 5:30 is still good as the meeting time.
- Challenge #4: Boards and Commissions have varying practices with bylaws, use of subcommittees and other practices. Recommendation: Create template bylaws for all Commissions. Require any special provisions that may be necessary for some Commissions to be approved by City Council.
  - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #4: The Sustainability Commission supports creating templates, with the expectation that there will be flexibility in tailoring practices to each commission. The Sustainability Commission can contribute two documents: Commission Work Flow and Agenda Development Process (attached).
- Challenge #5: Expectations regarding conduct, media relations, stakeholder engagement, working

- with external jurisdictions, representing Commissions with outside groups, representing the City, etc. are unclear. Recommendation: Create a template Handbook outlining various expectations for conduct and incorporate into onboarding.
- Sustainability Commission response to challenge #5: The Sustainability Commission supports creating templates, with the expectation that there will be flexibility in tailoring handbooks to each commission.
  - Challenge #6: Board and Commission members often lack clarity on roles, responsibilities, and important rules such as the Brown Act. Not all staff that serve as liaisons to Commissions are trained in this area. Recommendation: Ensure onboarding materials cover this content and there is annual training provided to staff liaisons and Commissions.
    - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #6: The Sustainability Commission supports developing onboarding materials that cover the content specified.  
A FAQ sheet would be helpful.  
The Sustainability Commission has had “training” on the Brown Act and conflict of interest at Commission meetings by the City Clerk on request.  
Annual training should be more substantive than that held in January 2020.
  - Challenge #7: Boards and Commissions often lack strategic direction from Council. This leads to confusion and frustration as Commissions struggle to meter the volume of work and produce recommendations that Council is willing and ready to act on. This also leads to instances where work that is important to a Commission is advanced to City Council, but Council is focused with other priorities, causing the Commission to feel slighted or to have wasted its time. Recommendation: Create an annual cycle of strategic planning that coincides with Council’s strategic visioning. The cycle of planning would contemplate providing input to Council before priorities are considered, receiving direction from Council after priorities are established and reporting back periodically on progress. New initiatives Commissions that want to undertake outside established priorities would start with a request and proposal to Council.
    - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #7: The Sustainability Commission supports creating an annual cycle of strategic planning. This may be more useful for some commissions than others.  
By nature of the discipline, the Sustainability Commission attracts members who have a “passion” for conservation and environment-related issues. Historically, the Sustainability Commission has been successful in developing projects from “grass roots” initiatives, communicating with Council, and having the plans accepted by Council. Examples are differentiation of trash and recycling containers downtown and in parks, battery recycling, and recommending solar panel installation on new houses.  
Sustainability Commissioners often have interests and talents that complement those of Council members. This may be interpreted as conflict. Commissioners may have expertise or insight into neighborhood needs that might not be visible to Council members.
  - Challenge #8: Commissions report feeling disconnected from Council and unaware of how information is exchanged. Council Members have sometimes served as direct liaisons to Commissions, but an ambitious policy agenda and high demands for Council Member time makes consistent participation at Commissions difficult. Recommendation: Create a process whereby active Commissions create and submit quarterly reports to Council. Alternatively, the Mayor or designated Council Item 3B - 3 Members can attend Commission meetings quarterly or on some other periodic basis. Hold at least one annual meeting between Council and Commissions. Train staff to better facilitate communication between Boards and Commissions.
    - Sustainability Commission response to challenge #8: The Sustainability Commission supports creating a process whereby commissions create and submit quarterly reports to Council. This seems to implicitly acknowledge the value of commissions. It would formalize what has been a generally good process for the Sustainability Commission.  
Historically the Sustainability Commission has had a good working relationship with Council members, both formally with designated liaisons, and informally. Examples are collaboration on the leaf blower ban, food ware ordinance, climate action roadmap, and requiring commercial businesses to purchase renewable energy.  
Council members have attended Commission meetings and Waste Reduction subcommittee

meetings. A study session was held with a Council member in May 2018.

- **Challenge #9:** Commissions often have ideas for engaging in additional work, creating subcommittees, creating communications content and other work that often goes beyond researching, drafting, and presenting policy recommendations. Recommendation: Outline in a Commission Handbook that staff is committed to assist the work of the Commission but is empowered to adjust and meter work or to suggest alternative ways to complete tasks to balance the demand on staff time.
  - **Sustainability Commission response to challenge #9:** The Sustainability Commission supports the recommendation that staff should assist the work of the Commission but can adjust or meter work. This challenge is much like challenge 7, but it creates potential conflict between Commissioners and staff. There needs to be clarification of the roles of the Sustainability Commission versus those of staff, especially since a new Sustainability Director and additional staff members will be added in 2022.

The involvement of Planning, Engineering, and Parks and Recreation in Sustainability activities, which is included in Council priorities, needs to be formalized and managed.
- **Challenge #10:** Commissions, like City Council, can sometimes have tension between the roles of individual members and the Commission as a body. Some Commissioners readily engage in advancing Commission work outside of Commission meetings, sometimes causing confusion about what has been directed by Commission as a body. Recommendation: Outline in a Commission Handbook expectations for conduct and emphasize the limited nature of individual roles (typically limited to officer positions) and the greater emphasis on group decision making. Individual efforts to work around the Commission as body should be discouraged.
  - **Sustainability Commission response to challenge #10:** The Sustainability Commission supports the recommendation to outline conduct and definition of roles in a handbook. Historically there have been conflicts with a few Sustainability Commission members working outside of Commission meetings. The Sustainability Commission Chair and Sustainability Manager attempted to coach members and minimize conflict. It was not always successful. The Sustainability Commission Chair and Sustainability staff provide information to Commissioners to facilitate group decision making at monthly meetings. This is a recognized leadership role. Commission candidate interviews should better align candidates' interests and abilities with Commission and Council priorities. The Commission Chair should have input into selection of candidates for interviews and final selection of Commissioners. During the discussion, it was suggested that the Commission Chair and Vice Chair should have input into selection of candidates for interviews and final selection of Commissioners.
- Deputy City Manager Fagg stated he would like to forward the finalized recommendations to the City Clerk to distribute to the City Council to be included in the items that go to City Council for the Study Session on Boards and Commissions.

2. Day and Time for June Commission Meeting (recommendation of move to Monday, June 20, 2022)
  - Chair Barrett stated there is a recommendation to change the date of the June Sustainability Commission meeting to accommodate Commissioners who would like to attend the City Council Study Session on Boards and Commissions which is scheduled for Tuesday, June 21, 2022.
  - Chair Barrett inquired if there were any objections to changing the June meeting date to Monday, June 20, 2022 at 5:30 pm. There were no objections, and the change in meeting date was accepted.

## **E. SUBCOMMITTEE AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

1. Standing Subcommittee on Waste Reduction – Interim Director Sheldon provided the following update from the May 5, 2022 meeting:
  - The updated PSDS and City franchise agreement will be on the May 26, 2022 City Council agenda.
  - City staff and PSDS anticipate the Prop 218 mailer being mailed the week of July 11, 2022.
  - The hearing date for Prop 218 has been schedule for September 1, 2022.
  - The City was notified on April 27, 2022 it is a recipient of an SB 1383 grant in the amount of

\$68,329.00. The grant will go towards the purchase of the mulch as mandated by SB 1383. The quote from CV Compost for the purchase of mulch is \$80,000.00. City staff is in the process of obtaining quotes from the landscape vendors for the application of the mulch at city parks.

- CalRecycle provided notification that the City is the responsible lead for the outreach, education and implementation of SB 1383 for Palm Springs Unified School District (PSUSD.) The reasoning is due to PSUSD district office being located in Palm Springs and the City is responsible for the 28 school sites within PSUSD. City staff is in the process of contacting and working with the jurisdictions located within PSUSD for a unified approach for implementation.
- City staff and PSDS have been continuing site visits to HOA's and multi-family dwellings for implementation of SB 1383. Some HOA's are requesting 5-gallon buckets and liners for food waste collection. City staff has suggested HOA's and MFD's to utilize the sustainability scholarship as a way to reduce the cost of purchasing the buckets and liners. City staff has contacted Riverside County and the County is not purchasing food waste containers. City staff has requested quotes from vendors on the cost of 1–5-gallon containers. PSDS will provide vendor contact information on 1.5- and 2.25-gallon containers so that container purchases can be consistent. There are three (3) neighborhoods which will require manual collection to accommodate SB 1383 requirements.
- City staff needs to begin capacity planning as required under SB 1383. The current challenges are due to staffing. Edible food recovery agreements need to be created and signed by Tier 1 food providers. Beginning January 1, 2023, Tier 2 businesses will also be included.
- Commissioner Clark inquired if mulch will be provided to residents at a no cost basis. Currently the answer is no. If mulch is provided at no cost, city staff needs to determine a location where the no cost mulch will be located. Per the report from the consultants performed in 2021, 99% of the required 3,820 tons of mulch can be applied to city parks.
- SB 1383 requires stickers be applied to all refuse containers. PSDS will be applying stickers during the summer months and also painting metal bins to follow SB 1383 requirements. The new carts PSDS has ordered will have hot stamps on them with information on acceptable materials per waste stream.
- City staff presented on SB 1383 to ONE-PS on May 10, 2022.
- Residents have requested information on which products go into which bin. The information is available on PSDS's website as well as the City's website under Residential Collection.
- PSDS will provide a guide for residents prior to the implementation date of October 1, 2022.
- In regard to the Food Ware Ordinance, ReCreate Waste Collaborative, LLC, will be meeting with businesses in person the week of May 17-20, 2022. Abbe and Associates will also be meeting with businesses in person the week of May 23-26, 2022. To date, the consultants have met with all food providers and continue communications via phone, e-mail and in person visits.
  - Both consultants have brought up the issue of enforcement as some business owners have stated no intention of adhering to the ordinance. In regard to enforcement, the ordinance allows for warnings, and \$100, \$250 and \$500 fines. Staff is requesting direction from the Sustainability Commission on enforcement. Commissioner Clark recommends the SSCoWR committee provide recommendations to provide to the commission.
  - Abbe & Associates and ReCreate have suggested the creation of a Recognition program to highlight those businesses that have done the work and are in compliance. The creation of a Recognition program may also be a method of incentivizing non-compliant businesses with compliance. Staff is requesting direction from the Subcommittee and Sustainability Commission on direction of a Recognition program. Commissioner Clark recommends the SSCoWR committee provide recommendations to provide to the commission.
  - Commissioner Clark requested an update from McDonald's and Starbuck's for compliance status for the June meeting.
  - Commissioner Clark inquired on an update of the compostable materials which will and will not be accepted at the Burrtec facility located at Edom Hill. Burrtec will be accepting food and green waste as compostable material. Burrtec will accept fiber based compostable products such as clamshells and cups. Burrtec will not accept bioplastic compostables such as forks, knives, spoons and straws. PSDS stated they will provide a written confirmation of

which compostable materials Burrtec will accept at the Edom Hill facility. Burrtec has previously stated the food waste collection facility will be open beginning October 1, 2022. To date, the City has not received any written confirmation of an operational date.

- City staff and the two consultants have been providing targeted outreach to business to apply for Sustainably Food Ware Scholarships by the June 10, 2022 cut-off date to accommodate the end of the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2022.
  - For the downtown trash can signage, Commissioner Clark suggested revising alternative signage and sticker options for the Downtown trash cans.
    - City staff suggested utilizing the same stickers PSDS is developing as part of the mandated sticker requirements under SB 1383. The sticker size is approximately 4" x 6". PSDS has ordered the stickers and the stickers have not been received to date. The stickers and a mockup on the trash cans will be provided to the subcommittee at the June meeting.
    - Signage suggestions will be provided at the June subcommittee meeting for feedback and recommendations.
    - Commissioner Clark suggested a historical timeline be provided of the Downtown trash can signage to provide to future commissioners.
  - In regard to community composting, City staff has continued working on identifying a location for community composting. The sites previously evaluated have not been available due to lack of water sources, accessibility issues for drop offs and not receiving approval of composting activities on airport owned sites (which has been rejected by the FAA.) The City's intent is to have a site location which will provide Community Composting and aluminum can recycling.
    - Commissioner Clark inquired of the value of community composting. Staff stated the value is to offer residents composting options of both industrial composting which will be provided by PSDS and community composting offered by Desert Compost.
    - Commissioner Clark stated the request of having residents drive and drop off compost to a community compost location is an additional use of a vehicle trip which increases greenhouse gas emissions. In comparison, the industrial composting option provided by PSDS is by pick up by CNG fueled vehicles which have a reduced GHG footprint.
    - Commissioner Clark inquired how we can determine the percentage of residents which prefer community composting vs. industrial composting. An option may be a community survey. This discussion will be continued during the June subcommittee meeting when other subcommittee members are present.
    - Commissioner Clark inquired if the mulch produced by community composting would be in compliance with the standards set forth by CalRecycle. Additionally, will the mulch produced by Desert Compost at the Palm Desert facility be acceptable by CalRecycle with the requirements per SB 1383.
2. Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Strategic Planning and General Plan Update – Commissioner Clark reported
- Commissioner Clark stated there was a discussion with David Newell, Assistant Planning Director, in April and a discussion of the Vulnerability Assessment report that PlaceWorks had prepared as part of the City's General Plan Safety Element Update. The report identifies the impact of climate change, and an overview will be presented to the commission at a future date.
3. Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy – Chair Barrett, Commissioner Clark, Vice Chair Evans and Commissioner Freedman
- Commissioner Clark reported the group met on April 25, 2022 and discussed a plan. It was agreed that each of the subcommittee members will submit additional comments and questions to the previously version and review EPPP's from other cities. The revised documents will be provided to the commission at the June 20, 2022 meeting. (Note the previous version was prepared by the City's legal department and former Manager Tallarico.)
  - Commissioner Freedman volunteered to remove himself from the subcommittee due to the reduction in commissioners.

4. Solar and Green Building – Commissioner Freedman reported
  - Commissioner Freedman stated he has been continuing progress on the Renewable Energy Ordinance and model ordinance for multi-family home energy use efficiency. Commissioner Freedman anticipates bringing drafts of the ordinances to the commission at the June 20, 2022 meeting.
  - Commissioner Freedman shared the State’s budget has substantial funding for energy related projects, including the Lithium Valley area and Salton Sea. \$1.2 billion has been added to the State’s budget for residential energy utility arrearages.
5. World Environment Day – Commissioner Futterman reported
  - Commissioner Futterman shared that the deadline for submissions has been extended to May 25, 2022. To date, approximately 60 entries have been submitted. The winners of the 2022 Environmental Art Contest will be announced on June 5, 2022 as a virtual awards ceremony.
6. Night Sky – Commissioner Ocañas
  - Commissioner Ocañas provided her resignation from the Commission on May 17, 2022 and a report was not provided.
7. Bicycle Routes and Cycling – Commissioner Torrens reported
  - Commissioner Torrens reported a meeting has been scheduled for May 26, 2022 to discuss bicycle routes and cycling and a report will be provided at the June meeting.
8. Water Conservation – Commissioner Freedman reported
  - Commissioner Freedman stated water restrictions have not been announced yet for the Coachella Valley and any updates to water restrictions would need to be coordinated with the six (6) local water agencies. Commissioner Freedman will report at a future meeting if Desert Water Agency enacts any additional restrictions.
  - Desert Water Agency customers achieved an 11.8% reduction in potable water consumption in March 2022 in comparison to March 2013.
9. Wellness – Commissioner Baker reported
  - Commissioner Baker reported the smoking ordinance was passed on to the Human Rights Commission for their final approval. Commissioner Baker reported there were no edits or changes and is ready to be presented to Council.
10. Desert Community Energy, Community Advisory Committee – Commissioner Freedman reported
  - Commissioner Freedman stated DCE is performing the annual “true up” and the FAQ section has been updated on their website.
  - Commissioner Freedman will send city staff updates from DCE to place on the city website.
  - DCE is working on identifying sites for solar and storage distributed energy storage.
  - SolarAPP+ will be holding a presentation and city staff has confirmed participation. Commissioner Freedman will advise when the \$40,000 funding is available for implementation of SolarAPP+.

**F. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND UPCOMING AGENDA**

- Commissioner Freedman stated the City Council is scheduled to approve the budget at the June 16, 2022 City Council meeting and asked for staff to provide an update on the Sustainability budget once approved.
- Chair Barrett shared that during a recent visit to Nevada, that he noticed that EV charging stations were more visible than they are locally.



**G. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourned at **7:26** p.m. They adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the Sustainability Commission to be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2022, location to be determined. There is a possibility that the next meeting will be via telecommunication also. The Sustainability Commission's regular meeting schedule is at 5:30 p.m. the third Tuesday each month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy Sheldon, Interim Director, Office of Sustainability