Natural Resources Commission Minutes  
July 27, 2015

Present:  Mark Braly, Kristin Burford, Matt Holland, John Johnston, Anya McCann (Alt), Michelle Milliet, Alan Pryor, Steven Westhoff

Absent:

Staff: Mitch Sears, Sustainability Manager

Council Liaison: Rochelle Swanson

1. Approval of Agenda - approved unanimously

2. Approval of Minutes- June 22, 2015 approved unanimously.

3. Commission and Staff Announcements – None

4. Council Liaison Comments – None.

5. Public Communications – None

6. Consent Calendar – None

7. Energy and water efficiency upgrades to the built environment – NRC Energy Subcommittee memo and draft letter to PG&E requesting technical support. The Energy Sub-committee provided a summary of its discussions with PG&E and presented its draft letter for consideration. The Energy Sub-committee responded to questions related to objectives and next steps.

Following Commissioner discussion, on a motion by Commissioner Millet, seconded by Commissioner Pryor, the Commission took the following action:

Recommend that the City send a letter to PG&E requesting support for the NRC’s work on energy efficiency related to the existing building stock.

Motion passed 7-0

8. Water Conservation Program – Water Production/Conservation Update. Staff provided an update on water use in Davis. In summary, the Davis reduced water production by 35% in June and is on track to meet the State mandated 28% water conservation goals for Davis.

9. Subcommittee Updates

   a) Energy – Discussed as part of agenda item 7.
   b) Water – The Sub-committee will follow up with the City’s new Water Conservation Coordinator and discuss grey-water issues.
   c) Hazardous Materials – An update report will be provided in October. The Sub-committee will follow up with staff regarding the concept of forming a City weed abatement crew. Neonicotinoid pesticides and their use were discussed with the City’s IPM Manager.
   d) Solid Waste – An update on the Integrated Waste Management Plan is scheduled for September. The question of how the new DWR franchise fee will be budgeted was raised.

10. Long Range Calendar/Future Agenda Items – Commissioners reviewed the draft long range calendar. The Commission agreed to meet twice the Mace Innovation Park Draft EIR.

11. Adjourn: 8:00 p.m.