

**Natural Resources Commission Minutes**  
**May 22, 2017**

Present: Mark Braly, John Johnston, Anya McCann (Alt), Patrick Henderson,  
Alan Pryor, Evan Schmidt, Steven Westhoff  
Absent: Michelle Millet  
Staff: Kerry Daane Loux, Sustainability Coordinator  
Council Liaison: Rochelle Swanson

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1. **Approval of Agenda** – Approved unanimously.
2. **Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons** –
  - A. Steve Westhoff noted that he has received comments requesting the Commission keep on schedule and on track with all items, so he will encourage implementation of Rosenberg’s Rules of Order.
3. **Public Communications** – none.
4. **Consent Calendar** – (A) April 24, 2017 minutes. (7-0; moved by Braly, seconded by Pryor).
5. **Regular Items**
  - A. **City of Davis Energy Code Amendments** – Greg Mahoney, Chief Building Official, briefed the Commission on the proposed energy reach code ordinance adopting ‘PV-Plus’ as the standard for new residential construction (single family and low-rise multi-family dwellings). Following discussion, on a motion by Braly, seconded by Henderson, with a friendly amendment by Johnston (accepted), the Commission recommended that the City Council support the staff recommendations and adopt an ordinance to implement them. Additionally, the Commission recommended that (1) the City Council allocate staff and/or resources to Community Development to research and develop energy requirements/standards for existing buildings., and (2) City staff, perhaps with free expert assistance, critically examine the energy efficiency cost-effectiveness analysis and update it as needed for use in future code decisions.

Motion passed 6-1 (Braly, Henderson, Johnston, Schmidt, McCann, Westhoff); (Pryor no)

- B. **Subcommittee Updates** –
  - Water – The NRC will receive a staff Water Conservation update at the June meeting. Additionally, the subcommittee has requested an update from staff on outreach related to reduction of water softener use (given the surface water project) and an estimate of potential water savings and improved water quality from reductions.
  - Energy – No further discussion following regular item A. Staff reported that the ‘Greener Davis’ multi-family flyer was updated for 2017-18 to include energy, carbon reduction and transportation elements in a tri-fold 8 ½ x 11 format.
  - Solid Waste – No report.
  - Haz Mat – (1) IPM program outreach survey will be available at the end of this week (2) Report on joint Rec & Park and Tree Commission meeting this month
  - GHG – No report.
- C. **Unitrans Advisory Committee** –

John Johnston reported on recent meeting; Johnston was nominated to be Commission representative (Pryor/Braly).
6. **Commission and Staff Communications**
  - a) **Long Range Calendar/Future Agenda Items.** Reviewed
  - b) **Upcoming meeting items/events.** Next regular meeting June 26, 2017.
7. **Adjourn:** 8:15 p.m