

Natural Resources Commission Minutes
July 24, 2017; 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mark Braly, John Johnston, Anya McCann (Alt), Alan Pryor,
Steven Westhoff
Absent: Evan Schmidt, Patrick Henderson, Michelle Millet
Staff: Mitch Sears, Sustainability Program Manager
Council Liaison: Rochelle Swanson

1. **Approval of Agenda** – Approved unanimously.
2. **Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons** –An ‘EV Show and Tell’ program on August 4 will include information on electric vehicles and a showing of the film, *An Inconvenient Sequel*, at the Varsity Theater, organized by Cool Davis and partners. Staff noted the upcoming August 2, 2017 solar eclipse and mentioned to ‘One Thing for the Sun’ campaign to reduce energy use during the eclipse interval. Staff distributed the completed tri-fold ‘*Greener Guide, a renter’s guide to living sustainably in Davis*’ to the Commission for review.
3. **Public Communications** – none.
4. **Consent Calendar** – (approval 5-0; moved by Pryor, seconded by Braly).
(A) June 26, 2017 minutes.
(B) Trash Amendments to the Phase II Small MS4 General Permit – Informational memorandum in response to Commission questions from June 26, 2017 meeting.

5. **Regular Items**

A. **Integrated Pest Management (IPM)** – Update of IPM Policy and Procedures

John McNerney, Wildlife Resource Specialist and Martin Guerena, Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Coordinator, briefed the Commission on the proposed *Update of IPM Policy and Procedures*, dated June 2017. Following discussion, the NRC requested that staff consider commission comments related to the Technical Advisory Committee composition, staffing and input; the development and implementation of the ‘Reduce Risk Pesticides’ list; and interim operations while policy is being developed, along with comments already made by the Recreation and Parks Commission. The NRC requested that staff revise the draft IPM Policy based on these recommendations and send the updated policy to all relevant Commissions. Also, the Commission requested that staff agendize the IPM Policy as an informational item for City Council prior to completion of the policy, at a time determined by staff, as a check-in to give guidance on remaining issues, particularly interim policy on specific pesticides of concern. Staff agreed to these requests, and to send a revised policy to all relevant Commissions for review after the September Open Space and Habitat Commission meeting.

Motion (approval 5-0; moved by Pryor/ seconded by Braly and Westhoff): Request that staff consider commission comments, revise draft IPM Policy, and bring revised draft back to the commission following Open Space and Habitat Commission meeting. Additionally, agendize the IPM policy as an informational item on City Council to ask for check-in & guidance on remaining issues, particularly interim policy on specific pesticides of concern, after Open Space and Habitat Commission meeting.

B. **Lincoln 40 Apartments Draft Environmental Impact Report and Project Review**

The Commission approved DEIR comments submitted by the Greenhouse Gas (GHG), Energy and Hazardous Waste subcommittees, to be included as formal NRC responses. Additionally, the NRC requested more specific sustainability information on the project, including a commitment to minimum LEED Gold, similar to what is planned for Sterling Apartments project; a plan for Net Zero Energy, including maximum installation of solar panels on roof space, as feasible, a commitment to procure 100% of building's energy from renewable sources either on-site or off-site; foregoing natural gas utilities, as feasible; and designing individual utility (water, electricity) sub-meters for each unit with smart meter technology. The Commission also recommends incorporating sustainability features into the project development agreement.

Motion (approved 5-0; moved by Pryor/seconded by McCann): Accept subcommittee recommendations as noted above as formal NRC comments on the project.

C. Greenhouse Gas Emissions draft Interim Standards for non-residential development

Staff made a brief presentation on project progress and next steps. An interim standard is being created this year, while a more detailed Local Action Plan is being developed within the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan update.

D. Subcommittee Updates –

- Water – No further report.
- Energy – Build it Green has offered to draft a rental energy efficiency ordinance for City consideration. Will update Commission in September.
- Solid Waste – No report.
- Hazardous Materials – No further report other than comments on IPM program presentation.
- GHG – No further report.

6. Commission and Staff Communications

- a) **Long Range Calendar/Future Agenda Items.** Reviewed
- b) **Upcoming meeting items/events.** Next regular meeting September 25, 2017

7. Adjourn: 9:00 p.m