

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.
AT LOS ALTOS COMMUNITY MEETING CHAMBERS,
1 NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD,
LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Hedden, Keller, Bray, Reed, Eyre, Yuan
ABSENT: Ardehali

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. Commission minutes

Action: After correction by Chair Hedden and upon a motion by Commissioner Bray, seconded by Commissioner Reed, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of November 10, 2014.

2. Environmental public information forums

Reviewed and discussed:

- a. Plan of action for public education and outreach
 - Joint meeting with BPAC (Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission)
 - Joint effort with Cal Water on water conservation measures

Public comment:

Gloria Geller, Los Altos resident, asked for support to City Council for water drought ordinance.

Linda Ziff, Los Altos resident, encouraged City to provide education and outreach to citizens to avoid water wasting and supported an water ordinance with enforcement measures.

Mike McTighe, speaking for GreenTown Los Altos, expressed deep concern about the water situation and requested the Environmental Commission to influence a water ordinance adoption by Council to be in place to prepare for the ongoing drought conditions.

Barb O'Reilly, Los Altos resident, expressed thanks for the City's Climate Action Plan and recognition of climate change and in addition, encouraged increased education and public outreach to the public via the City website and through other outreach efforts.

Charley Pow, representing GreenTown Los Altos, asked for passage of a water ordinance based on the Santa Clara Valley Water District draft model ordinance and requested water usage data and encouragement of drought tolerant landscaping.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. Climate Action Plan and Community Choice Aggregation feasibility study
Reviewed and discussed:
 - a. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) feasibility study
 - b. Climate Action Plan measures

Public Comment:

Charley Pow, representing GreenTown Los Altos, asked for explanation and correction of the formula for vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in the Climate Action Plan measures

4. Proposed greenhouse gas dashboard
Discussed next steps for usage of the proposed greenhouse gas dashboard
5. Monthly staff report
 - a. Reviewed the Environmental Commission approved 2014/15 Work Plan
 - b. Staff updates
 - Reviewed Council agenda for December 9, 2014 items pertaining to the environment

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hedden adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.