MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015 AT LOS ALTOS COMMUNITY MEETING CHAMBERS, 1 NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Hedden, Teksler, Bray, Halkola, Weiden

ABSENT: Eyre, Yuan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Los Altos resident, Tami Mulcahy, addressed issues with storm water management in the parking easements by use of recommended bioswale and not asphalts swale.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. <u>Commission minutes</u>

Action: Upon a motion by Vice Chair Teksler, seconded by Commissioner Weiden, the Commission approved the minutes of the meeting held on November 9, 2015. Chair Hedden did not vote on the minutes due to being absent from the November meeting.

2. <u>Construction and Demolition Ordinance</u>

Received staff report followed by questions and answers

Public Comments

Margie Suozzo, representing GreenTown Los Altos, commented on costs of debris boxes from vendors other than Mission Trails Waste Systems (MTWS) and competitive advantages associated with costs.

3. <u>Community Choice Energy</u>

- a. Received update on Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy (CCE) Partnership
- b. Discussed and made edits to the draft of the Final CCE Report to Council
- c. Upon a motion by Vice Chair Teksler, seconded by Commissioner Weiden, the Commission unanimously approved the CCE Information Sheet with additional content to be added on "risk" and with additional edits as needed.

Public Comments

Los Altos resident Karen Janowski representing herself and GreenTown Los Altos (GTLA) thanked the CCE subcommittee for its efforts and expressed her efforts to educate Council on the benefits of CCEs, and requested a clear assessment of costs, regulatory risks, solar rates and stated various attributes of CCE programs.

Margie Suozzo, representing GreenTown Los Altos, thanked the CCE subcommittee's efforts to reduce the carbon footprint, spoke to support CCEs and stated that GTLA will promote the Jan. 13, 2016 community meeting to be held in Los Altos.

Mike Balma, representing Carbon Free Mountain View, stated that CCEs are the number one solution to achieving Climate Action Plan greenhouse gas reductions.

4. <u>Climate Action Plan Dashboard</u>

Received report on Climate Action Plan Dashboard

5. <u>Water Conservation</u>

Received update on water conservation

6. <u>2015/16 Accomplishments and 2016/17 Work Plan</u>
Discussed development of Accomplishments and formulation of a new Work Plan

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7. Received December 2015 Monthly Staff Report

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hedden adjourned the meeting at 9:50 pm