

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2010, AT 7:00 P.M.
AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS,
CALIFORNIA**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Anderson, DeMichiel, Chien-Hale, Labetich, Bray

ABSENT: Rosewater, Keller

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Zirelli spoke on Los Altos Garbage Company's name change to Recology.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Commission Minutes
MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LABETICH, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DeMICHEL to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2010. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Earth Day Project
Laura Teksler, president of the Board of Acterra, and Michael Closson, Executive Director for Acterra, presented an update on Acterra's Redwood Grove Rehabilitation Project. Commissioners discussed opportunities to partner with Acterra for an Earth Day Project. MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BRAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LABETICH that the Environmental Commission work with Acterra, GreenTown Los Altos, and any other interested group to put together a proposed event for the Saturday following Earth Day and appointed Chair Anderson and Commissioner Chien-Hale to a subcommittee to talk with Acterra and GreenTown Los Altos and report back choices to the Commission. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
3. GreenTown Los Altos Sustainable Events Program
Margaret Suozzo and Barbara O'Reilly, GreenTown Los Altos representatives, presented and commissioners discussed an update on the GreenTown Los Altos sustainable events program. Commission requested that the presentation information be added to the Environmental Commission website.
4. Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory Subcommittee
Commissioner Bray presented an update on progress of the community greenhouse gas inventory for 2005 – 2008 and discussed next steps in the process.
5. Formation of Environmental Commission Speakers Presentation
This item was continued to the March Commission meeting for discussion of a report to Council.

6. Waste Management services Contract Request for Proposal (RFP)
Report by Chair Anderson that Selection Committee met and will present a preferred vendor to City Council on February 23, 2010.
7. Development of Environmental Element to the General Plan
Staff gave an update on how to handle the City Council goal to add an Environmental Element to the General Plan, possibly by updating the existing Conservation Element, and what the Commission's role would be.
8. Items for Information
Staff report on:
 - a. *Town Crier* article on energy grant program and water conservation
 - b. Update on Environmental Commission website hits.
 - c. Council approved Resolutions Supporting the CalFIRST Grant Program.
9. 2009-2010 Environmental Commission Goals and Work Plan
Commissioners continued this item to March.

COMMISSION REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Anderson adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

J. Logan, Assistant City Manager and STAFF LIAISON