

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 16TH AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS
ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Anderson, Chien-Hale, Coombs, Cooper, Rosewater

ABSENT: DeMichiel, Schink

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public spoke at the meeting on items not on the agenda

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes were approved as amended. Passed 5-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Welcome New Committee Member – Patricia Rosewater

The committee welcomed new committee member Patricia Rosewater. Introductions were made and Patricia provided a brief background of her work history and interest in the environment.

3. Solid Waste Collection Level of Service

Jim Gustafson, Engineering Services Manager and Rich Gertman, Environmental Planning Consultant presented information about the City's need to update and re-bid the solid waste contract. The environmental committee is to review the services proposed to include in the contract and prioritize the items that are of interest. The committee will prepare a recommendation later this summer.

Linda Gass, Los Altos resident presented information about the need for additional services to be incorporated into the solid waste contract. She offered to help the environmental committee where necessary.

4. Review Agenda for Joint Meeting with City Council

The committee agreed upon items they would like to review with City Council at next Tuesday's meeting. Rebecca will forward the desired topics of discussion on to the City Clerk and confirm time, location and format of the meeting.

5. Request from Los Altos Community Picnic Committee to participate in Community Picnic

The committee agreed that they would participate in the Community Picnic and provide information about Trees of Los Altos, Green Building Ordinance, the website (if ready) and other information concerning the environment. There was also interest to partner with the Green Ribbon Citizens Committee/Cool Los Altos to staff the booth and provide information.

6. Environmental Committee Website

Elizabeth reported on hosting options. Questions were raised about getting approval to spend funds on the website. Rebecca will prepare a staff report to City Council recommending company to host and maintain the site.

7. Green Ribbon Citizen's Committee (GRCC)

Steve provided an update on the GRCC. The GRCC continues to develop the working committees and is beginning to brainstorm and determine how to coordinate the first "World Café" community meeting. The GRCC meets the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting Tuesday, June 17th, Pattie plans to attend.

8. Trees of Los Altos Financial Update

Ann reported on the funds available in the Environmental Committee's account with the Los Altos Community Foundation. There is currently \$4,180 available in the fund. No decision has been made on how to spend the funds, and spending of the funds would require Council approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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