



Approved 8/21/19 (SB)

SUMMARIZED MEETING MINUTES

City of Scottsdale
Environmental Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, July 17, 2019
Community Design Studio
7506 E Indian School Rd.
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

PRESENT: Steven Schlosser, Chair
Tammy Bosse, Vice Chair
David Abranovic, Commission Member
Natalie Chrisman Lazarr, Commission Member
Anthony Coletta, Commission Member
Ryan Johnson, Commission Member

ABSENT: Walter Cuculic, Commission Member

STAFF PRESENT: Tim Conner, Office of Environmental Initiatives
Sam Brown, Office of Environmental Initiatives
Brent Stockwell, Assistant City Manager
Rachel Smetana, Mayor's Office, Chief of Staff

Call to Order:
Tim Conner called the regular meeting of the Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission to order at **5:32 p.m.**

Roll Call:
A formal roll call took place confirming all members present, as stated above.

Public Comment:
There were no citizens present; no public comments were received.

1. Sustainability Initiatives Support:

Brent Stockwell

Brent Stockwell, Scottsdale Assistant City Manager, discussed the City's organizational philosophy and structure with respect to citywide initiatives, including the Commission's stated interest in having the City create sustainability and energy management initiatives. Mr. Stockwell emphasized the City's stated Strategic Goal (General Plan 2001) of "Seek Sustainability". He discussed how the City has used interdepartmental teams for other citywide initiatives, including how it has been used for the award-winning Performance Management Team, and its various sub-teams: Reporting/Benchmarking; Process Improvement; Data Analysis; and Performance Management. Mr. Stockwell also reviewed the City policies for considering new positions. Vice Chair Bosse expressed her belief that the highest-level sustainability goals would not be achieved through this approach. Chair Schlosser stated that they needed "expertise" to be moved forward, not something you "learn on the job". Commission Member (CM) Chrisman stated that she believed the knowledge gap between the current state of 'sustainability' in Scottsdale - and that of being a world leader - was too great to overcome with the current internal model. Chair Schlosser referred to the strong, well-defined leadership role (i.e., metrics-driven champion, or subject-matter expert) of a position closely aligned with the City Manager (as espoused in the Mark Hartman/Braden Kay presentations in the May 15, 2019 Commission meeting). CMs Abranovic and Coletta acknowledged that the overwhelming scope (e.g., 2035 General Plan Sustainability Goals & Objectives) would require the assistance of a third party (this Commission) to prioritize the important initiatives, and to evaluate the City's progress on them.

2. Approval of Summarized Meeting Minutes:

VICE-CHAIR BOSSE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUMMARIZED MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 19, 2019; COMMISSION MEMBER CHRISMAN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 6-0, WITH CHAIR SCHLOSSER, VICE-CHAIR BOSSE AND CMS ABRANOVIC, CHRISMAN, COLETTA AND JOHNSON VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

Chair Schlosser
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3. Administrative Report (15 min):

- Updates and opportunities - Conner
 - July 1 City Council Recap
 - Green Infrastructure Handbook Award Handouts

Tim Conner

4. Environmental Achievement Award:

CHAIR SCHLOSSER MADE A MOTION TO DEFER DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD UNTIL AFTER THE EARTH DAY 2020 CELEBRATORY EVENT IN APRIL OF NEXT YEAR; CM ABRANOVIC SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 5-0, WITH CHAIR SCHLOSSER, VICE-CHAIR BOSSE AND CMS ABRANOVIC, CHRISMAN AND COLETTA VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

Chair Schlosser
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5. Earth Day 2020:

CM Johnson provided a summary of the July 10, 2019 Earth Day 2020 planning meeting with Rachel Smetana (Mayor's Office, Chief of Staff) and CMs Johnson, Chrisman and Coletta. These Commission Members will continue to work with Ms. Smetana on a proposed City Shade and Tree Plan. Chair Schlosser will reach out to the Scottsdale, Cave Creek and Paradise Valley School Districts (e.g., poster program; school-sponsored participatory events). Ms. Smetana stated that Mayor Lane could assist Chair Schlosser and Staff Liaison Coordinator Brown with those efforts. Ms. Smetana and Mr. Conner will introduce Ms. Cheryl Sumner (Scottsdale Tourism Events Manager) to the ASU Sustainable Cities Network's Greening Events Implementation Guide.

Chair Schlosser
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6. Korte Challenge to elevate and advance environmental sustainability initiatives:

Item tabled for discussion at August meeting.

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7. Recycling:

Chair Schlosser opened the discussion suggesting a campaign for recycling single-use water bottles. Vice Chair Bosse encouraged a stronger promotion for using refillable water bottles and recommending to City Council that future physical replacements/upgrades to all public water fountains have 'bottle fill adapters' installed. Chair Schlosser will start drafting a letter to City Council regarding the water fountain fill stations recommendation. Members discussed inviting Mr. Dan Worth, Director of Public Works, to the September Commission meeting to discuss the status recycling in Scottsdale. Mr. Brown suggested inviting a Republic Services representative also.

Chair Schlosser
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8. Commission Members' reports, updates and suggestions for future agenda items:

Commission Members suggested the following items:

- Discussion on the next steps for the "Sustainability Support Initiative"
- Discussion on the Greening Events Implementation Guide
- Water Bottle Filling Stations

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9. Updates and reminders –

Next EAC Regular Meeting 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday,

August 21, 2019, at the Scottsdale **Community Design Studio**,

7506 E. Indian School Road

Tim Conner

Adjournment: 7:40 p.m.

Chair Schlosser



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