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SUMMARIZED MEETING MINUTES

City of Scottsdale
Environmental Advisory Commission
Regular Meeting

5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Community Design Studio

7506 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale, 85251

Call to Order: 5:33 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Natalie Chrisman Lazarr, Vice Chair Anthony Coletta (attended electronically);
Commission Members: Tammy Bosse, Ute Brady, Ryan Johnson, Andrew Scheck

ABSENT: Commission Member Walter Cuculic

STAFF PRESENT: Tim Conner, Manager, Anthony Floyd and Sam Brown - the Office of Environmental Initiatives; Brandon McMahon and Amanda Willis, IT/Video Support; Erin Perreault, Planning & Development Area Director; Brent Stockwell, Assistant City Manager; Lori Glover, Public Works Contract Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT: Meeting was live streamed on Scottsdale You Tube channel to the public. One member of the public was present. Three public comments were received pertaining to agenda item #4: one written (Ms. Jennifer Smiljanich), one in-person (Ms. Karen Jayne), and one dial-in (Ms. Katherine Trontell).

1. Introduction of new Commission Members

Newly appointed Commission Members Ute Brady and Andrew Scheck were introduced.

No Action



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2. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from October 20, 2021.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the Summarized Meeting Minutes from October 20, 2021 with Commissioner Bosse providing a Second for the motion, which carried 6-0. Chair Chrisman Lazarr, Vice Chair Coletta and Commissioners Bosse, Brady, Johnson and Scheck voted for APPROVAL.

- 3. Update, discussion, and possible Commission recommendations to staff regarding the content and timeline for the rollout of the *Scottsdale Sustainability Plan*.** Staff Liaison Tim Conner informed the Commission on the following schedule for representatives from ASU's Rob and Melani Walton Sustainability Solutions Services to provide an update on the development progress of the *Sustainability Plan* (December 15, 2021) and to conduct a live "workshop session" (January 19, 2022) to collect Commission feedback on *Plan* scope and content.

No Action

- 4. Discussion and possible Commission recommendations to staff regarding various programs and initiatives within the Solid Waste Department.** Dave Bennett, Solid Waste Director, provided the Commission with a general update of the sustainability initiatives in the *Solid Waste Strategic Plan*. This included a record of waste diversion and recycling goals and measures, green waste and composting market conditions, and customer education outreach. Commissioner Scheck asked about the level of public education via schools and commercial businesses. Mr. Bennett pointed to Solid Waste's accessible website and the possibility of an informative letter to all customers. He stated that he was receptive to any of the Commission's suggestions for more effective public outreach options. Commissioner Brady asked about expired (or, shelf-dated) non-perishable food items. Mr. Bennett suggested local charities for pre-consumer items and Recycle City for post-consumer food waste that then gets converted to agricultural compost.

No Action

- 5. Discussion and possible Commission recommendations to staff and/or City Council regarding the tree canopy data collected by ASU and the potential involvement of the Public in a tree inventory for greater Scottsdale:** Chair Chrisman Lazarr presented a summary of three tree inventory software packages. Each provided a different set of services, scope, and price ranges. Commissioner Bosse recommended more research on the advanced tree-management methods employed by the City of Pasadena. Assistant City Manager Brent Stockwell brought forward three options for the Commission to consider: 1) the City GIS system's capability to utilize citizen science tools for uploading tree data, 2) the City's participation in the Google Environmental Insights platform for tree inventory, and 3) the Scottsdale Public Library's expansive outreach capabilities for employing citizen science initiatives.

No Action

- 6. Discussion and possible Commission recommendations to staff on Public Outreach Strategies for sustainability topics currently under consideration by the Commission (Annual Work Plan) or matters of environmental concern submitted to the City or Commission through public forums.**

No Action

7. Staff Updates:

- General updates – Tim Conner
- Green Building updates - Anthony Floyd
- Sustainable Scottsdale Steering Team updates – Brent Stockwell

No Action

8. Review of anticipated items for the October 2021 Commission agenda, including requests by Commission Members for items to be included on future agendas.

- **ASU update on *Scottsdale Sustainability Plan***
- **Discussion of 2021 Annual Report & proposed 2022 SEAC meeting schedule**
- **Tree Inventory update and discussion**

Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.