



# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

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## ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

PO Box 190 • Huntington Beach, CA 92648

**Meeting Minutes and Action Items: Thursday, February 7th, 2012 at 5:30 PM**

Chairman: M. Marshall  
Attendees: Nicolson, Orrill, Gordon, Smith, Davis, Maclean  
Absent: Coffman, Schaaf  
City Staff: Aaron Klemm  
Commission: None  
Council Members: Mayor Boardman  
Public: Casey Metkovich, and Mark Sheldon

### **I. Call to Order/Roll Call:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

### **II. Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve January 2013 Minutes was moved by Orrill, Second: Smith; Approved.

### **III. Public Comments: Mayor Boardman – EB Priorities Discussion**

- a. Discussion of February City Council Meeting, Reusable Bag Policy and Sustainability Agenda (i.e., Zero Waste discussion) Item.
- b. General Plan Update and the establishment of a citizen advisory committee (i.e. inclusion of Environmental Board Members on Advisory Committee)
- c. Reusable Bag Policy (RBP) EIR (i.e., Ordinance) will be presented at the March 18<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting. Anticipation of a 60 day implementation effort to address education with community and civic groups (i.e., Surfrider and Rainbow Environmental).

#### Action Items:

- Invite High School Students -- i.e., petition last year (TBD)
  - Draft letter of support – Plastic bag ordinance, on behalf of the Environmental Board (Orrill)
  - Environmental Board Member Nominated for “Public Comments” (Orrill)
  - Contact Restaurant Association and HB Chamber prior to the March 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to solicit support. (TBD)
  - Check EIR for RBP to determine if changes have been made (Klemm)
  - Place EIR/Letter on Agenda for City Council March 18<sup>th</sup> (Klemm)
- d. Discussion of Polystyrene (PS) ban, with the potential of being tied to the Reusable Bag Policy. Update that Dana Point included PS ban with the RBP when council member made a motion. (Aaron Klemm)

- e. Tsunami Debris – EB letter to staff RE: debris is under review by Coffman, draft developed by Orrill. Consideration of potential for a Community Science Project. Outreach to citizens (i.e., bill insert notification, bathroom signage, media and website).

Action Items: Bring Letter to EB for review (Orrill)

- f. Zero Waste – Emphasize other activities that the City could undertake to promote Zero Waste (i.e., procurement, life cycle assistance/purchasing criteria – Bob Smith). Promote via webpage and tie to Shipley (existing resource) compost workshops. Siting Composting Facilities in O. C. requires an understanding of the following: Rates, Staff and Composting Physics. Costs to get to Zero Waste are significant (per Gordon)
- g. Finalize New Committee Teams for EB for 2013-2014. Voting and assignments are as follows:
- Committee 1 – Resource Management (Coffman, Gordon, Orrill)
    - Reusable Bag Policy/Ordinance
    - Polystyrene Inclusion
  - Committee 2 – Ocean Debris (Maclean, Kim, Coffman)
    - Tsunami Letter and Citizen Awareness
  - Committee 3 – General Plan Update/ Climate Adaptation
    - Open Space (Marshall, Schaaf)
    - Coastal (Davis, Coffman, Schaaf)
    - Climate Action Plan Overview (Smith, Orrill, Klemm)
    - Data (Smith)
    - Public Health and Hazards (TBD)

#### IV. Action Items: (60 minutes)

- A. Executive Committee: Updates and Announcements
- i. Grassy Knoll Update (Coffman, Marshall, Nicolson)  
Move to next meeting, waiting for report from J. Coffman.
- B. EIR – Notice of Preparation of a Draft EIR for Brookhurst Street and Adams Ave intersection improvements project. (Gordon, Smith, Coffman)  
Discussion – cumulative impacts re: water pipeline upgrades associated with Desalinization project  
Motion carried: Bob to draft letter to Mary Beth (Senior City Planner) to address quality assurance issues and selection of EIR contractor, regarding data sufficiency and quality.
- C. Field Trips
- i. Future field trips – ASCON (TBD: June 2013) (Gordon, Smith)  
DTSC will have Study Session, Tuesday Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, Civic Center at 4:30 p.m.  
Request a date with Consultant (Mary H)
  - ii. Rainbow MRF (Gordon) Friday, March 29, 2013 – 9:00 a.m.
- D. Re-usable bags Ad hoc committee (Marshall/Coffman/Orrill) – **see above**
- E. General Plan Committee – **see above**

- F. Communications (Orrill/Coffman/Smith) – **no report**
  - i. Chamber & Marketing & Visitors Bureau
  - ii. Marketing, Education & Outreach
  
- G. Environmental Awards (Orrill/Gordon/Nicolson) - - **no report**
  - i. Rainbow award - 3/14/13
  
- H. Water Quality Topics – Discussion
  - i. Letter from Environmental Board was distributed at the meeting for EB review and approval. To be discussed at the next meeting.
  - ii. **Underground city pipes and requirements – infrastructure discussion. No action.**

**V. Administrative Items:** (25 minutes)

- A. Correspondence/News Articles/Announcements
- B. Requests to Place Items on the Next 3 Agendas

**VI. Good and Welfare:** (5 minutes)

**VI. Preview of Upcoming Meetings**

- A. March – ICLEI meeting cancelled because EB Board Members Smith, Gordon and Orrill attended presentation at City of Newport Beach.
- B. April – Planning process overview RE: Climate planning. Aaron will invite Mary Beth Broeren to attend Environmental Board meeting.

**VII. Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held at 5:30 on March 7, 2013 in room B7.

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