



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes and Action Items: August 2, 2012

Chairman: Marshall
Others Present: Glover, Nicolson, Orrill, Schaaf, Coffman
Absent: Gordon, Smith,
City Staff: Aaron Klemm
Commission: None
Council Members: None
Public: Guy Stivers, Boy Scout

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:46 P.M.

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve July 5, 2012 minutes Schaaf. Second Nicolson. Approved without dissent.

III. Public Comments

Debbie Morris, HF&H: Zero Waste Plans tabled until future meeting.

IV. Action Items:

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Updates and Announcements- Grassy Knoll Update (Coffman/Marshall)

A meeting was held with the Homeowners Executive Committee. Klemm, Marshall and Coffman represented the Environmental Board. Concerns from the Homeowners mainly centered around the cost of the project. Estimates obtained were in the \$200K range. Surfrider Foundation recommended as a cost reduction solution the use of volunteer labor and emphasized the savings regarding water usage. The goal of the project should be to be a turf conversion demonstration area.

Three requests of the Homeowners as a result of the meeting:

1. Resources (Examples: Surfrider and Coastkeeper websites)
2. The authority to do project in phases
3. Future policies to improve the economics of water conservation projects

Klemm will write draft email to promote this to City Council as a viable project.

Additional concerns:

1. Construction of a bioswale around the perimeter of the project to protect Bolsa Chica resources.
2. Capitalizing on public relations opportunities.

B. EIR

- Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 12-002 (Schaaf/Coffman/Gordon)

No significant concerns. There will be no increase to the capacity of the system and gravity fed systems are always better regarding energy usage.

- C. FIELD TRIPS
 - Grassy Knoll field trip scheduled for Thursday, August 16 at 6:00PM.
 - Future field trip possibility is carpet recyclers in La Mirada.
- D. RE-USABLE BAGS AD HOC COMMITTEE (Marshall, Coffman, Orrill)
 - On August 1, Huntington Beach Mayor Pro Tem Devin Dwyer, Councilwoman Connie Boardman and Sue Gordon discussed recycling, reusable bags and other green initiatives in Surf City at the Huntington Beach Art Center.
- E. GREEN ENERGY COMMITTEE (Smith, Gordon, Marshall)
 - SCE Regional Strategic Plan
 - No update. Data to be provided by SCE in December.
- F. COMMUNICATIONS (Glover/Orrill/Coffman/Smith)
 - Chamber & Marketing & Visitors Bureau
 - i. Business Sustainable Action Committee
 - Renamed Sustainable Surf City.
 - ii. Sustainable Surf City
 - No update.
 - iii. Green Expo
 - Sign up sheet to staff booth during event on September 15, 2012 will be circulated via email.
 - Marketing, Education & Outreach
 - ShIPLEY Energy/Renewable Outreach by SCE
 - No underwriting opportunities forthcoming. Project on hold.
- G. ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS (Marshall/Gordon/Nicholson)
 - Selection process is in research and analysis stage. Kicking off marketing at Green Expo. Criteria for award to be discussed at September 6, 2012 Environmental Board meeting.
- H. WATER QUALITY TOPICS
 - Coffman to draft and forward to Marshall an inquiry regarding status of City's response.
- I. ANNUAL EB REPORT
 - No update.

VI. Administrative Items

- A. Correspondence/News Articles/Announcements
 - UCLA working on highly transparent (70%) solar panels to be used as windows.
- B. Information on Fireworks
 - No update.
- C. Requests to Place Items on the Next Agenda
 - November speaker to be Katherine Hollenger, Water Conservation Specialist.

VII. Good and Welfare

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned 7:01 P.M. The next meeting will be held at 5:30PM on September 6, 2011 in room B7.