

MINUTES

GREEN RIBBON ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

March 14, 2013 4:30 p.m.

University Community Park 1 Beech Tree Lane Irvine, California

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Green Ribbon Environmental Committee (Committee) was called to order on Thursday, March 14, 2013, at 4:41 p.m. at University Community Park, 1 Beech Tree Lane, by Committee Member Agran.

ROLL CALL

Committee Member

Larry Agran

Committee Member

Nancy Neudorf

Committee Member

Cyril Yu

Committee Member

John Morton

Committee Member

Steve Greenberg

Committee Member

Kelly Dang (arrived late)

Committee Member

Steven Chen (arrived late)

Vice Chair

(vacant)

Chair

(vacant)

ABSENT

Committee Member

Susan Coons

Committee Member

Beth Krom

Committee Member

(vacant)

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

HERO Financing was added to Presentations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Brunson announced that TIAA-CREF and Index Fund Advisors, Inc. partners to provide sustainable investment options for retirement plans. Ms. Brunson recommended the City consider such investments for City employee retirement plans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Administrator Reynolds reported on the following recent activities and campaigns that are being sponsored by the City of Irvine:

- 1. Outreach and Earth Day Events
- 2. Cans for Cash Plus recycling challenge
- 3. Edison Projects
- 4. So Cal Gas Projects
- 5. Community Energy Partnership

Committee Member Agran requested further information on community scale solar.

PRESENTATIONS

HERO Financing

Dustin Reilich of HERO Financing presented the HERO Financing program to the Committee. HERO Financing is a property assessed clean energy (PACE) program that allows property owners to finance energy saving projects via their property tax bill.

Item was discussed and referred to the Energy Subcommittee.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

ACTION: Moved by Committee Member Morton, seconded by Committee Member Neudorf and unanimously carried to nominate Committee Member Yu as Committee Chair. No other nominations.

ACTION: Moved by Chair Yu, seconded by Committee Member Neudorf and unanimously carried to nominate Committee Member Morton as Committee Vice Chair. No other nominations.

2. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Morton, seconded by Committee Member Steven Chen and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of a regular Green Ribbon Environmental Committee meeting held on Thursday, July 26, 2012.

3. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

Administrator Reynolds informed the Committee there were no subcommittee updates.

ACTION: None.

4. MOBILITY SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Morton, seconded by Committee Member Steven Chen and unanimously carried to:

- 1. Recommend City staff promote existing transportation and mobility programs through all available channels and methods.
- 2. Recommend that Mobility Subcommittee work with Public Works staff to:
 - a. Explore the development of an annual mobility audit that will record the level of bicycling and walking trips within the City.
 - b. Explore the development of a Bicycle Friendly Business Area pilot program and return to the Green Ribbon Environmental Committee with a progress update.
- 3. Recommend Public Works staff present updates of the Active Transportation Plan at future Committee meetings.

5. ECOMEDIA INC.

ACTION: Moved by Committee Member Chen, seconded by Vice Chair Morton and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:08 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 2013.

CYRIL YU, CHAIR

Date Approved: June 13, 2013 ←

LORA/RIVERA

Recording Secretary