

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

Finished Agenda

DATE: February 17, 2010
TIME: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: City Hall, Room 15

X Helene Schneider, Mayor
X Michael Self, Councilmember
X Das Williams, Councilmember

Office of the City
Administrator

Office of the City Attorney

X Nina Johnson
Assistant to the City Administrator

X Steve Wiley
City Attorney

X Robert Samario, Finance Director
X Stephen MacIntosh, Environmental Services Supervisor
X Lori Pedersen, Administrative Analyst

AGENDA

1. **Public Comment –**

2. **Status of Previous Agenda Action Items –**

ACTION: Receive a status report on previous agenda items, including:

- a. LEED Certification of 630 Garden Street Offices
- b. LEED Certification of Airport Quick Turnaround Facility
- c. Economic Stimulus Funding for Environmental Projects

The Committee received the updates. Staff noted that Fire Station No. 1 would receive LEED certification soon.

3. **Appointment of Committee Chair**

ACTION: Appoint a chairperson to lead meetings of the Sustainability Council Committee.

Councilmember Williams was nominated and unanimously selected to be the Chair.

4. **Fiscal Year 2010 Committee Schedule**

ACTION: Review a revised Fiscal Year 2010 schedule for the Sustainability Council Committee.

The Committee reviewed the revised schedule. The Committee requested an update on the fuel cell project as part of the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy projects presentation in March.

5. **Environmental Issues Related to Legislative Platform**

ACTION: Review highlights of the City's Proposed 2010 Legislative Platform related to environmental programs.

The Committee received a presentation on the proposed changes to the Legislative Platform items for environmental programs.

6. **Residential Rate Study**

ACTION: Discuss an upcoming residential rate study for trash, recycling, and green waste.

The Committee received a presentation on the upcoming residential rate study. The Committee recommended including foodscraps in the rate study.

The Committee requested a more detailed presentation on foodscraps composting. Councilmember Self requested information regarding other agencies that implemented similar programs.

7. **AB 811 Central Coast Energy Independence Program**

ACTION: Receive a presentation on a regional municipal financing program and recommend that Council adopt a resolution to participate in the program, allowing property owners to enter a voluntary contractual property tax assessment for energy retrofit, renewable energy, and water conservation projects.

The Committee received a presentation regarding the County's proposed municipal financing program.

Councilmember Self expressed concern that this type of financing was outside the traditional loan process and as result property owners could overextend themselves.

The Committee forwarded the item to Council for adoption and encouraged staff to continue working out the details regarding carbon credits and the feasibility of including the solar design guidelines as a requirement.

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