



**Environmental Ad-hoc Committee October 23, 2019 Draft Minutes**  
**(Pending approval at January meeting)**

Peninsula Community Planning Board  
Environmental Ad-hoc Committee  
October 23, 2019 meeting

Park Point Loma Clubhouse, 2390 Caminito Agrado, San Diego, CA 92107

**General**

Meeting called to order by Eva Schmitt at 5:31 pm

Present:

Eva Schmitt (Environmental Committee co-chair)

Mandy Havlik (Environmental Committee co-chair)

Ruth Hargrove (Community Committee Member)

Korla Eaquinta: PCPB Board Members

Members of the Community: Jesse Benson

Approval of the agenda- motion by Mandy Havlik, second by Eva Schmitt. unanimous

Approval of ad-hoc meeting and interval schedule- every other month, next scheduled 1/22/2020 at Park Pt Loma clubhouse. Motion to approve by Mandy Havli, second by Ruth Hargrove. Unanimous approval

**Non-agenda Public Comment**

- Announcement by Korla Eaquinta about Cabrillo Rec Center Carnival 10/25

- Concerns about lack of street sweeping schedule announcement. Parked cars prevent proper street sweeping from occurring. Street sweeping removes metal products and other pollutants and prevents those from reaching bay and ocean. Suggestion was made to invite Think Blue campaign representative to next board meeting
- Jesse (volunteer for SD River foundation) mentioned 10/26 9a-12a volunteer opportunity to participate in river clean-up effort
- Idea of an environmental community forum was brought up
- Drug take back day at Western Division SD Police was announced

### **Board-Initiated Informational Items/Discussion**

Update on previously addressed pesticide/herbicide use in local parks: per Jordan Beane, the City is reviewing the issue and “working on it”. Ruth Hargrove had a conversation with JB as well and states the strong mayor form of government is complicating and delaying the process as the City Council no longer has the ability to give directive to city staff. Signs re pesticide/herbicide use seem to be displayed but with incorrect information. Habitat West is the contractor for Sunset Cliffs Park- who approved the contract and who is ensuring proper procedure is followed?

Sunset Cliffs Park Project: formal review planned for 1/22/20 meeting. Sea water rise and erosion are main concerns to be addressed by environmental committee

City Waste Management Review: 21% of methane emissions are generated by landfills. Methane has a global warming potential of 25. Removing organic matter from landfills and composting it significantly reduces methane emission (anaerobic vs aerobic process). Provided information to public on compost bin voucher.

Motion was made to draft a letter to the City requesting changes to their current waste management process to include composting to be part of regular waste pick-up for commercial and residential units by Mandy Havlik. Motion second by Eva Schmitt  
Approved unanimously.  
Eva Schmitt to draft letter

Tree planting initiative: SD has tree planting initiative for residential curb space. Currently, the regulations stipulate the tree has to be planted on the green space between street and curb. There is a new program (Urban forestry) intended to expand the potential spaces where trees can be planted.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:43pm**