



Environmental Ad-hoc Committee January 22, 2019 Draft Minutes
(Pending approval at March meeting)

Peninsula Community Planning Board
Environmental Ad-hoc Committee
January 22, 2020 meeting

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

General

Meeting called to order by Eva Schmitt at 5:30 pm

Present:

Eva Schmitt (Environmental Committee co-chair)

Mandy Havlik (Environmental Committee co-chair)

Margaret Virissimo: Committe Member

Members of the Community: 2 Kate and Tatiana, students at PLHS

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

Non-agenda Public Comment

- Public inquired about clean-up initiatives/efforts by PCPB.

Board-Initiated Informational Items/Discussion

2 students from PLHS introduced themselves. Both Juniors and Secretary/VP March for our Lives and President/co-president for PLHS Green Peace Club respectively. The Club organizes education and outreach efforts, community clean-ups, efforts to have the school become plastic free. Future ideas include tree planting events, more beach clean-ups. The Club communicates with students via an App and Instagram.

A formal role for PCPB Environmental Committee and PLHS collaboration was discussed. Particular areas identified that lend themselves to collaboration: tree planning initiatives, plastic use reduction, clean-up efforts

Mandy Havlik made a motion to recognize the Club as a formal liaison and to work collaboratively with a student representative attending committee meetings, working on projects together when appropriate, and also providing recognition for students such as college letters of recommendations. Second by Eva Schmitt, unanimous approval

Motion made by Eva Schmitt to recommend to the PCPB that the Environmental Committee be a standing committee instead of ad-hoc to facilitate community liaison efforts. Second by Margaret Virissimo, unanimous

Tree planting initiative: The City's Climate Action Plan calls for increased canopy coverage. 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. Any homeowner can request a tree via Get It Done App. There is a new program (via Urban forestry) intended to expand the potential spaces where trees can be planted which needs local grass roots support to encourage tree planting in additional spaces (schools, business properties, yards)

Margaret recommended this program be publicized to the PLA as well as Parks Dept. Mandy would like to obtain PCPB permission so that the Environmental Committee Chairs can publicize this information. Margaret discussed best plan of action and raised concerns that Mandy can't act outside the PCPB mission as an individual.

Mandy made a motion to approve a draft letter recognizing the value in the tree planting initiative (Healthy Trees for Healthy Neighborhoods). Second by Eva Schmitt, unanimous

Eva mentioned that this could be a cause PLHS could be involved in and students could publicize the Healthy Trees for Healthy Neighborhoods program as well as curb space tree planting.

The Green Peace Club will forward to the Environmental Committee any planned Earth Day events for possible committee involvement

Next meeting will be held 3/11/20 at 5:30 in Park Point Loma Clubhouse

Meeting Adjourned at 6:27pm