

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 8, 2019 BEGINNING AT 7:00
P.M. AT COMMUNITY MEETING CHAMBERS, LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, 1 NORTH
SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Weiden, Vice Chair Yuan, Commissioners Klein, Bray, Halkola (left at 8:18 P.M.), and Teksler (left at 8:57 P.M.)

ABSENT: Commissioner Martin

STAFF: Staff Liaison Niday

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Gary Hedden (volunteer with Green Town Los Altos) announced upcoming events with Green Town Los Altos and the History Museum.

Bruce Karney (Mountain View resident and a representative of the Climate Reality Project – Santa Clara Chapter) recommended that the City of Los Altos complete a Greenhouse Gas emission update on a yearly basis.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. **Environmental Commission Minutes** (Item taken out of order)
Approve minutes of the regular meeting of June 10, 2019

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Bray, seconded by Commissioner Teksler, the Environmental Commission approved the minutes from the June 10, 2019 regular meeting as written.

The motion was approved (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Weiden, Klein, Bray and Teksler

NOES: None

ABSENT: Halkola and Martin

ABSTAIN: Yuan

2. **Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority**

John Supp from Silicon Valley Clean Energy gave a presentation on the 2019 Building Electrification and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Reach Code Initiative.

Public Comment: Helen Rose Sylvester (Campaign Manager at Menlo Spark), Bruce Karney (Carbon Free Silicon Valley), Mike Balma (Carbon Free Mountain View), and Gary Latshaw all expressed their support for the reach code effort.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Bray, seconded by Commissioner Yuan, the Environmental Commission stated unanimous support for staff development and ratification of a reach code.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:
AYES: Weiden, Yuan, Klein, Bray, Halkola and Teksler
NOES: None
ABSENT: Martin
ABSTAIN: None

3. Los Altos Community Foundation Environmental Education Fund

Selected EnviroThon Challenge winners – including Fight Back for First Place, Field Trippers and Next Generation tied for Second Place, and Vroom Vroom for Third Place; discussed how to allocate funding appropriately.

Public Comment: None

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Teksler, seconded by Commissioner Klein, the Environmental Commission unanimously awarded the four winners of the environmental challenge up to \$1,700 (approximately half) of the Los Altos Community Foundation Environmental Education Fund balance. The awards will be distributed to non-profit or educational organizations selected by the winning teams.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:
AYES: Weiden, Yuan, Klein, Bray, Halkola and Teksler
NOES: None
ABSENT: Martin
ABSTAIN: None

4. Environmental Commission Work Plan

Reviewed and discussed goals for the 2019/20 Work Plan

Public Comment: None

Action: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

5. City Staff Updates

Received information and announcements from City staff

COMMISSION REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

2019 Building Electrification and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Reach Code Initiative

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Weiden adjourned the meeting at 9:03 P.M.