

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF LA MESA
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
6:00 PM, CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
8130 ALLISON AVENUE, LA MESA, CA 91942**

MINUTES
October 21, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER (6:00 p.m.)

2. ROLL CALL (X indicates present)

Jim Stone, Chair	X
Andrea Beth Damsky, Vice-Chair	X
Stephen Grooms	X
Ashley Simmons	X
Trey McDonald	X
Ricky Williams	X
Jean-Guillaume Lonjaret	X
Maggie Eggers (EDCO)	X
Joe Garuba (Helix Water District)	X (arrived 6:05)
Chardá Fontenot (La Mesa-Spring Valley School District)	Excused absence
Joe Britton (SDG&E)	X
Vacant (Helix Charter High School)	

Others present: Lyn Dedmon, Senior Management Analyst; Jenny Lybeck, Sustainability Analyst

Public: Mark Gracyk, Helix Water District; Jeremy Hutman, Ameresco

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 16, 2019

Action: Motion to approve minutes with changes
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Damsky, Grooms, Simmons, McDonald, Williams, Lonjaret
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

5. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Andrea Beth Damsky and Stephen Grooms made statements regarding their interest in the position of Chair. A secret ballot was taken and Andrea Beth was nominated.

Action: Motion to approve Andrea Beth Damsky as Chair
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Damsky, Grooms, Simmons, McDonald, Williams, Lonjaret
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

Action: Motion to approve Ricky Williams as Vice-Chair
Vote: 7-0-0
Ayes: Stone, Damsky, Grooms, Simmons, McDonald, Williams, Lonjaret
Noes: None
Abstained:
Absent:

6. CITY STAFF UPDATES

Lyn Dedmon provided an update on the MacArthur Park community garden including a site map.

Jenny Lybeck announced that Park Appreciation Day would be November 9 at Harry Griffen Park where 200 trees would be planted and volunteers are needed.

7. CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE (Andrea Beth Damsky)

Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) and regional program participation

Jenny Lybeck provided an update and stated that the City Council had moved forward and joined the regional JPA.

8. DRAFT 2020 WORK PLAN (Andrea Beth Damsky)

Potential updates to the work plan were discussed and Ricky Williams would report back with recommended new subcommittees based on the Climate Action Plan implementation areas. Scott Munzenmaier will provide work plan examples from other boards or commissions.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Andrea Beth Damsky thanked the Commission for selecting her as Chair. She is also attended a training of the Citizen's Water Academy and can nominate others to take part if anyone was interested.

Ricky Williams thanked the Commission for being selected as Vice-Chair.

Joe Garuba announced that Helix Water had transitioned to renewable diesel with success, was expecting ARB pollution control grants, was taking part in a GHG water-energy registry, was revitalizing the landscaping at their administrative offices, and that SANDAG was reshaping the region and the Commission should pay attention.

Joe Britton announced that the CPUC was holding a workshop on Tuesday for electrifying construction equipment.

Jim Stone thanked the Commission for being a strong and accomplished group.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Prepared by:

Scott Munzenmaier, Purchasing Officer

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