

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes
21 September 2020 07:00pm
Virtual Zoom

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Time: 7:04 pm

Committee Member	Present	Not Present
Estrella Sainburg	X	
Emily Spokes	X	
Meghan Aftosmis	X	
Erica Rice		X
Chrissy Cerven		X
Total:	3	2

2. Motion to approve agenda.

Committee member Emily spokes moves to discussion. Committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Committee member Emily Spokes motions to move agenda #5 to agenda #9. Committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: None

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Estrella	X					
Emily	X					
Meghan	X					
Erica						x
Chrissy						x
Total:	3					2

Motion carries.

3. Motion to approve Aug. 24, 2020 minutes

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to approve the 8/24/20 Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes. Committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Committee Chair Estrella Sainburg moves to postpone the approval of the minutes to the October meeting. Committee member Emily Spokes seconds.

Public Comment: None

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Estrella	X					
Emily	X					
Meghan	X					
Erica						x
Chrissy						x
Total:	3					2

Motion carries.

- General Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items—Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction (Limited to 2 min per speaker)

Public Comment: None

- Discussion and possible motion to move forward with sustainability workshops and solidify dates.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: Renee Garcia, Mirtala Sanchez

Committee chair Estress Sainburg moves to move forward with the workshop with Lynette and Marcos as speakers for the week of Oct. 19, and conduct outreach to invite neighborhood groups and organizations and Occidental College to participate and attend, and create a graphic to promote the webinar as well. Committee member Emily Spokes seconds.

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Estrella	X					
Emily	X					
Meghan	X					
Erica						x

Chrissy						x
Total:	3					2

Motion carries.

- Discussion and possible motion to send a CIS in support of the Community Forest Advisory Committee’s letter regarding adding protection of elderberry and toyon trees to the city’s protected tree ordinance.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: none

Committee chair Estrella Sainburg moves to send the CIS in support of their suggestion to protection the toyon and elderberry trees to City Councilmembers Gil Cedillo (CD1) and Jose Huizar (CD14) and City Council member-elect Kevin de Leon with edits by Emily Spokes that reflects that it’s coming from HHPNC. Committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Estrella	X					
Emily	X					
Meghan	X					
Erica						x
Chrissy						x
Total:	3					2

- Discussion and possible motion to submit CIS for Meridian St. & Ave. 50 Mini-Roundabout & Neighborhood Network Improvement Project. LADOT is bringing pedestrian and bicycle-focused improvements to the intersection of Meridian St & Ave 50. The project includes a “mini-roundabout” center circle with landscaping, crosswalks, sidewalk and curb ramps, as well as wayfinding and sharrows to connect the bicycle network in Highland Park.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Estrella Sainburg seconds.

Claire Eberle presenting on behalf of LADOT.

Public Comment: Steve Crouch, Jeannie Park, Tasi Ripp-Bennett, Kate McMorrow, Maia Richard-Easton, Jack McMorrow

- Discussion and possible motion regarding the proposed tree removal at 522 N. Lewis Street.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: Steve Crouch, Jeannie Park, Renee Garcia

- 9. Discussion and possible motion to create a tree canopy map with Jeannie Park and support her as a team. Discuss CityPlants event happening and invite stakeholders to attend 9.22.20, 10 AM - 12 PM.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: Jeannie Park

- 10. Discussion and possible motion to explore/install storm water capture stations before the rainy season.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Estrella Sainburg seconds.

Public Comment: Jeannie Park

- 11. Discussion and possible motion to install dog poop pickup stations with compostable bags in several areas across the neighborhood.

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to discuss, committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

Public Comment: Kate McMorrow

12. New Business

Committee chair Estrella Sainburg:

- 1) Sustainability Almanac - fill out community survey.
- 2) Draft Environmental Impact Report for proposed bio-gas renewable generation project.
- 3) Next mtg. is Oct. 19.

Public Comment: none

13. Adjournment

Public Comment: None

Committee member Emily Spokes moves to adjourn the meeting 9:20 pm. Committee member Meghan Aftosmis seconds.

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Estrella	X					

Emily	X					
Meghan	X					
Erica						x
Chrissy						X
Total:	3					2

Motion carries.