

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M. IN PERSON
AND TELECONFERENCE

ESTABLISHING QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Hecht, Vice Chair Humayun, Commissioner van Reis, Commissioner Weiden, Commissioner Nee, and Commissioner Lu

ABSENT: Commissioner Recht

ATTENDEES: Tania Katbi (Management Analyst II)
Nick Zornes (Assistant City Manager, Land Use)
Jonathan Weinberg (Mayor)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Gary Hedden provided public comment.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The commission elected Raashina Humayan and Carl van Reis as Chair and Vice Chair.

Action 1: Upon a motion by Chair Hecht, seconded by Commissioner Lu, the Environmental Commission elected Commissioner Humayan as Chair.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Hecht, Humayun, Weiden, van Reis, Lu, Nee

NOES: None

ABSENT: Recht

Action 2: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hecht, seconded by Chair Humayan, the Environmental Commission elected Commissioner van Reis as Vice Chair.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Hecht, Humayun, Weiden, van Reis, Lu, Nee

NOES: None

ABSENT: Recht

2. Environmental Commission Minutes

Approved minutes of the September 11, 2024, meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Weiden, seconded by Commissioner Hecht, the Environmental Commission approved the meeting minutes with edits.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Hecht, Humayun, Weiden, van Reis, Lu, Nee

NOES: None

ABSENT: Recht

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. General Outreach

Commissioner Hecht provided an outline of an Outreach Plan that will come back to the Commissioner to vote and approve.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. CAAP Implementation Roadmap & 2024/2025 Workplan

The Commission discussed the 2025 workplan. Commissioners to send ideas to Staff Liaison to work with Chair and Vice Chair to draft workplan and come back to the Commission in November to further discuss.

5. Dark Skies/Bird Safety Ordinances

The following items were noted:

- Include a definition of government facilities.
- Remove the dates for seasonal lighting.
- Clearly explain the policy on government buildings to City Council.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. Council Meetings
2. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. SVCE Update (FALL)
2. CAL Water Update (FALL)
3. Community Outreach
4. 2025 Workplan
5. Electrification Fair (EV Fair)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Humayan adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.