

1. 25-54435 Recommendation to approve the minutes for the Climate Resilient and Sustainable City Commission meetings of Thursday, December 12, 2024 and January 30, 2025.

Suggested Action: Approve recommendation.

Hilda Gaytan, Chair
Keisha Gaines, Vice Chair
Donna Bergeron-Birge, Commissioner
Evette Ellis, Commissioner
Rey Gonzales, Commissioner
Pearl Hanks, Commissioner



Clayton Heard, Commissioner
Kirk Kunihiro, Commissioner
Pete Marsh, Commissioner
Alan Tolkoff, Commissioner
Morgan Wheeler, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

At 4:10 PM, Vice Chair Gaines called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Ellis, Heard, Hanks, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan

Commissioners Absent: Bergeron-Birge, Gonzales, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

Also present: Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, Laura Russell, Administrative Coordinator, Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, Andre Balanji, Climate Analyst.

Commissioner Bergeon-Birge, Commissioner Gonzales, Commissioner Kunihiro, and Commissioner Tolkoff are excused from the meeting.

Commissioners Ellis spoke.

Commissioner Hanks spoke.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. 24-55832 Recommendation to approve the minutes for the Climate Resilient and Sustainable City Commission meeting of Thursday, October 17, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Hanks, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Ellis, Hanks, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None

Abstain: 0 None

Absent: 4 Bergeron-Birge, Gonzales, Kunihiro, Tolhoff

2. 24-55833 Recommendation to receive and file a presentation from City staff on Waste, Transportation, and the Climate Action Plan.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Andre Balanji, Climate Analyst, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Erin Rowland, General Superintendent, Public Works, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Eddie spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Marsh and Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Heard spoke.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Heard and Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

Erin Rowland, General Superintendent, Public Works, spoke.

Commissioner Heard spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources.

Vice Chair Gaines spoke.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Gaines and Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Hanks spoke.

Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Hanks and Jane Hermsen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources.

Erin Rowland, General Superintendent, Public Works, spoke.

Commissioner Hanks spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Hanks and Erin Rowland, General Superintendent, Public Works.

Jane Hermesen, Bureau Manager, Energy Resources, spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Erin Rowland, General Superintendent, Public Works, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Marsh, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Ellis, Hanks, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None
Abstain: 0 None
Absent: 4 Bergeron-Birge, Gonzales, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

3. 24-55834 Recommendation to receive and file announcements and resources from the Office of Climate Action and Sustainability.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marsh, seconded by Commissioner Wheeler, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Ellis, Hanks, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None
Abstain: 0 None
Absent: 4 Bergeron-Birge, Gonzales, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Marsh and Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eddie spoke.

Vanessa Costa spoke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:34 PM, there being no objection, Vice Chair Gaines declared the meeting adjourned.

Hilda Gaytan, Chair
Keisha Gaines, Vice Chair
Donna Bergeron-Birge, Commissioner
Evette Ellis, Commissioner
Rey Gonzales, Commissioner
Pearl Hanks, Commissioner



Clayton Heard, Commissioner
Kirk Kunihiro, Commissioner
Pete Marsh, Commissioner
Alan Tolkoff, Commissioner
Morgan Wheeler, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING (RETREAT)

CALL TO ORDER

At 4:05 PM, Vice Chair Gaines called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Ellis, Gonzales, Hanks, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan

Commissioners Absent: Bergeron-Birge, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

Also present: Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, Andre Balanji, Climate Analyst, Laura Russell, Administrative Coordinator, Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, Alyssa Campos, City Clerk Specialist.

Commissioner Bergeron-Birge, Commissioner Kunihiro, and Commissioner Tolkoff are excused from the meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. 25-54193 Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the Office of Ethics and Transparency Annual Update.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 Ellis, Gonzales, Hanks, Heard, Wheeler, Gaines
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None
Abstain: 0 None
Absent: 5 Bergeron-Birge, Kunihiro, Marsh, Tolkoff, Gaytan

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, City Manager Department, spoke; and provided a

PowerPoint presentation.

2. 25-54194 Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the Brown Act and Robert's Rules of Order Training from the City Attorney's Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 Ellis, Gonzales, Hanks, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None
Abstain: 0 None
Absent: 3 Bergeron-Birge, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

Atoy Wilson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Chair Gaytan joined the meeting.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Atoy Wilson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Atoy Wilson, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner Marsh joined the meeting.

Vice Chair Gaines spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Atoy Wilson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

3. 25-54195 Recommendation to discuss various topics presented by City staff for the 2025 Climate Resilient and Sustainable City Commission Retreat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Hanks, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Ellis, Gonzales, Heard, Marsh, Wheeler, Gaines, Gaytan
No: 0 None
Recused: 0 None
Abstain: 0 None
Absent: 4 Bergeron-Birge, Hanks, Kunihiro, Tolkoff

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Andre Balanji, Climate Analyst, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

A discussion ensued among the Commission and City staff.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Commissioner Ellis.

Commissioner Gonzales spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, and Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Commissioner Heard spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Commissioner Hanks spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Hanks and Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Commissioner Gonzales spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Commissioner Gonzales.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Commissioner Gonzales spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Gaines spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Gonzales spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Gaytan and Commissioner Ellis.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Ellis spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Hanks left the meeting.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Wheeler and Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Alyssa Campos, City Clerk Specialist, spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

A dialogue ensued among Chair Gaytan, Alyssa Campos, City Clerk Specialist,

and Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Marsh and Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Marsh spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Wheeler and Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager.

Chair Gaytan spoke.

Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department, spoke.

Commissioner Wheeler spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Wheeler and Fern Nueno, Climate Manager, City Manager Department.

Meredith Reynolds, Deputy City Manager, spoke; and continued the PowerPoint presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Unidentified person spoke.

There were no Online Public Comments and non-agenda public comment emails received.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:43 PM, there being no objection, Chair Gaytan declared the meeting adjourned.