



Agenda
City of Vernon
Special Green Vernon Commission Meeting
Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 3:30 PM
Remote Location Via Zoom

Hector Morfin, Chair
Catherine Browne, Commissioner
Clara Bustamante, Commissioner
Ron Daerr, Commissioner
Ronit Edry, Commissioner
Martin Perez, Commissioner
Stan Stosel, Commissioner

SPECIAL REMOTE PROTOCOL

Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361) authorizes public meetings to take place via teleconference because State and Local officials are recommending measures to promote social distancing. This meeting will be conducted entirely by remote participation via Zoom Webinar.

The public is encouraged to view the meeting at <https://www.cityofvernon.org/webinar-gvc> or by calling (408) 638-0968, Meeting ID 828-0822-7744#. You may address the Commission via Zoom or submit comments to PublicComment@cityofvernon.org with the meeting date and item number in the subject line.

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, the public may address the Commission on any matter that has been described in the agenda for this special meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

1. City Clerk

[Selection of Chair and Vice Chair](#)

Recommendation:

Select one member to serve as Chair and one member to serve as Vice Chair for the term ending June 30, 2023.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are to be approved with one motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Calendar by any member of the Commission. Those items removed will be considered immediately after the Consent Calendar.

2. City Clerk

[Approval of Minutes](#)

Recommendation:

Approve the April 20, 2022 Special Green Vernon Commission meeting minutes.

[1. 20220420 GVC Minutes \(Special\)](#)

NEW BUSINESS

3. Health and Environmental Control Department

[Environmental Sustainability Action Plan](#)

Recommendation:

- A. Direct staff to proceed with the process to update the City's Environmental Sustainability Action Plan adopted in 2011; and
- B. Appoint two members of the Commission to serve on a temporary ad hoc committee to work with the staff Steering Committee to provide support, guidance, and oversight of the Plan update project.

ORAL REPORTS

Brief reports, announcements, or directives to staff.

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas may be amended up to 72 hours and Special meeting agendas may be amended up to 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Dated: August 18, 2022.

By: _____/s/_____
Lisa Pope, City Clerk

Green Vernon Commission Agenda Item Report

Submitted by: Lisa Pope
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Meeting Date: August 24, 2022

SUBJECT

Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Recommendation:

Select one member to serve as Chair and one member to serve as Vice Chair for the term ending June 30, 2023.

Background:

The Green Vernon Commission consists of seven members including three Vernon Business Representatives, two Labor Representatives, and two Representatives that Engage in the Advancement of Environmental/Sustainability Issues. Members serve four-year terms, serving no more than two full consecutive terms. Following appointments at the June 7, 2022 meeting, the current members are as follows:

Commissioner	Appointing Category	Date Appointed	End of Term
Clara Bustamante	Business Representative	June 7, 2022	June 30, 2026
Ronit Edry	Business Representative	June 7, 2022	June 30, 2026
Hector Morfin	Business Representative	July 21, 2020	June 30, 2024
Catherine Browne	Environmental Representative	June 7, 2022	June 30, 2026
Ron Daerr	Environmental Representative	June 7, 2022	June 30, 2024
Martin Perez	Labor Representative	July 21, 2020	June 30, 2024
Stan Stosel	Labor Representative	July 20, 2021	June 30, 2024

Municipal Code Section 2.44.050 requires a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson from different appointing categories and prohibits a member from serving as Chair for more than two (2) consecutive terms. Chair Morfin was appointed as Chairperson on December 15, 2021, serving one consecutive term; therefore, he is eligible to continue to serve as Chair if the Commission so desires. The Commission should select a Chair and Vice Chair to serve through June 30, 2023.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

Attachments:

None.

Green Vernon Commission Agenda Item Report

Submitted by: Lisa Pope
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Meeting Date: August 24, 2022

SUBJECT

Approval of Minutes

Recommendation:

Approve the April 20, 2022 Special Green Vernon Commission meeting minutes.

Background:

Staff has prepared and submits the minutes for approval.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

Attachments:

1. [20220420 GVC Minutes \(Special\)](#)

**MINUTES
GREEN VERNON COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022
REMOTE LOCATION VIA ZOOM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Morfin called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Chair Morfin led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Hector Morfin, Chair (via remote access)
Alan Franz, Vice Chair (via remote access)
Catherine Browne, Commissioner (via remote access)
Ron Daerr, Commissioner (via remote access)
Martin Perez, Commissioner (via remote access)

ABSENT:

Stan Stosel, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

Angela Kimmey Deputy City Administrator (via remote access)
Zaynah Moussa, Interim City Attorney (via remote access)
Lisa Pope, City Clerk (via remote access)
Fredrick Agyin, Health and Environmental Control Director (via remote access)
Abraham Alemu, Public Utilities General Manager (via remote access)
Todd Dusenberry, Public Utilities Assistant General Manager (via remote access)
Manuel Garcia, Public Works Deputy Director (via remote access)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Commissioner Daerr moved and Commissioner Browne seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The question was called and the motion carried 5-0, Commissioner Stosel absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PRESENTATIONS

1. City Hall Lighting Retrofit and Electrification Transportation Update

Recommendation: No action is required. This is a presentation only.

Public Utilities Assistant General Manager Dusenberry presented the staff report.

In response to Commission questions, Assistant General Manager Dusenberry explained the City Hall light replacement project; potential partnership with Tesla for charging stations and incentives for businesses and employees.

2. Update from Public Works on: Urban Tree Summit, Clean California Local Grant, and City Beautification Efforts

Recommendation: No action required by the Commission. This is a presentation only.

Public Works Deputy Director Garcia presented the staff report.

In response to Commission questions, Deputy Director Garcia discussed the tree analysis and cost of planting the trees

Mario Dagonel, Tree People, expressed enthusiasm for the tree planting project and invited the community to participate in the survey.

The Commissioners commended the City of Vernon for the tree project.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION

Commissioner Daerr moved and Vice Chair Franz seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The question was called and the motion carried 5-0, Commissioner Stosel absent.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following item:

3. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the November 9, 2021 Joint Special Business and Industry Commission - Green Vernon Commission meeting, December 15, 2021 Joint Special Business and Industry Commission - Green Vernon Commission meeting, December 15, 2021 Joint Special Business and Industry Commission - Green Vernon Commission - Vernon Housing Commission meeting, and December 15, 2021 Regular Green Vernon Commission meeting minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Green Vernon Commission Work Plan and Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023

Recommendation: A. Adopt the proposed Green Vernon Commission Work Plan and request for budget authorization for FY 2022-2023; and B. Direct staff to submit said work plan and budget to the City Council for review and approval.

Health and Environmental Control Director Agyin presented the staff report.

MOTION

Commissioner Perez moved and Chair Morfin seconded a motion to: A. Adopt the proposed Green Vernon Commission Work Plan and request for budget authorization for FY 2022-2023; and B. Direct staff to submit said work plan and budget to the City Council for review and approval. The question was called and the motion carried 5-0, Commissioner Stosel absent.

ORAL REPORTS

Health and Environmental Control Director Agyin discussed the single use foodware accessories and standard condiment ordinance introduced at the April 19, 2022 City Council meeting. He announced the Electronic and Universal Waste Recycling Event on May 12, 2022 and City of Vernon Spring Clean-Up Day on May 7, 2022.

City Clerk Pope reminded the Commission that applications were being accepted for the City's Commissions and Committees.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Morfin adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

HECTOR MORFIN, Chair

ATTEST:

LISA POPE, City Clerk
(seal)

Green Vernon Commission Agenda Item Report

Submitted by: Veronica Petrosyan
Submitting Department: Health and Environmental Control Department
Meeting Date: August 24, 2022

SUBJECT

Environmental Sustainability Action Plan

Recommendation:

- A. Direct staff to proceed with the process to update the City's Environmental Sustainability Action Plan adopted in 2011; and
- B. Appoint two members of the Commission to serve on a temporary ad hoc committee to work with the staff Steering Committee to provide support, guidance, and oversight of the Plan update project.

Background:

The City recognizes that a healthy and prosperous community strategically balances the economic, environmental, and social sectors of community planning. In 2011, the City developed an Environmental Sustainability Action Plan (Plan) as a detailed, long-range strategy to achieve sustainability in the sectors of greenhouse gas (GHS) emission, energy, transportation, land use, solid waste, water, biological resources, air quality, public health, and economic development. On September 16, 2020, the Green Vernon Commission (Commission) discussed the need to update the Plan to include Senate Bill 1383 mandates and metrics to track progress and evaluate accomplishments. The Commission requested that City staff determine the cost of updating the Plan.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on City resources, the execution of the Commission's request to determine the cost of updating the Plan was delayed. Based on preliminary cost analysis, the consulting services to update the Plan was anticipated to exceed \$50,000. Therefore, on May 10, 2022, pursuant to Vernon Municipal Code Section 3.32.080, the City published a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Environmental Sustainability Action Plan Technical Consulting Services. The City received two (2) proposals from qualified firms, including the service amount. Based on the results of the RFP the cost to update the sustainability plan is approximately \$100,000.

Staff is requesting direction to proceed with updating the Plan and for the Commission to appoint two members to a temporary ad hoc committee to work with the staff Steering Committee to provide support, guidance, and oversight of the Plan update project.

Fiscal Impact:

Funds for technical consulting services to update the Environmental Sustainability Action Plan were budgeted in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 Electric Fund, Administration Division Account No. 055.9000.596200. A mid-year adjustment will be made to the FY 2022-2023 budget to re-appropriate and utilize the funds.

Attachments:

None.