

Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER
6650 Beach Boulevard
Buena Park, CA 90621

CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, February 4, 2025 - 6:00 PM

1. GENERAL

1A. CALL TO ORDER

1B. ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL: SCHOONER, SINGHAL, JAMES, FIGUEROA, BENDINELLI

1C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. COMMUNICATIONS

2A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - NOVEMBER 5, 2024

4. NEW BUSINESS

4A. COMMISSION APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

4B. DISCUSS COMMISSION EXPECTATIONS, 2025 GOALS, AND 2025 SCHEDULE

Discussion on what is expected of Climate Action Commissioners, upcoming events, 2025 goals and priorities, etc. Staff will also provide an update on the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.

5. OLD BUSINESS

6. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATION ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6A. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATION ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

7A. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2025

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Elizabeth Genera
City of Buena Park
Public Works

Date Posted: January 30, 2025



A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Meeting	Agenda Group
Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 6:00 PM	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Item: 3A.
Presented By	Prepared By
	Elizabeth Genera, Senior Administrative Assistant

Attachments

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City of Buena Park

MINUTES CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

1A. CALL TO ORDER

The Climate Action Commission met on November 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, CA.

1B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Figueroa, Garcia, James, Schooner, Singhal

STAFF: Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager; Joe Hunt, Public Works Manager

1C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2. COMMUNICATIONS

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2A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of October 1, 2024

***M/S/P – *Schooner/James* – Approval of meeting minutes October 1, 2024.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

4. NEW BUSINESS – No items.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A. December and January Commission Meetings – Approval to Adjourn to February 4, 2025

The Commission agreed to cancel the meeting on December 3, 2024. The Commission agreed to cancel the meeting on January 7, 2025. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025.

***M/S/P – *Singhal/Schooner* – Motion to cancel the December and January commission meetings.

5B. Discuss Office of Sustainability 2024 Recap and 2025 Goals and Priorities – Presented by Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager

The Climate Action Commission discussed the Office of Sustainability goals and priorities for 2025. Lotus Thai stated that the guiding principles are research, educate, and inspire to be practical innovators and a compass to prevent greenwashing.

Goals also include building internal and external awareness of the new sustainability office, launching the Sustainability Champion Recognition Program and the new Buena Park Sustainable Buddies and implementation of the City's Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.

Lotus stated that the upcoming edition of the Buena Park Today, will include an article on the Sustainability Recognition Program. The program will accept nominations of residents or businesses that demonstrate the practice of sustainability. A new sustainability logo will be used in all promotions and at special events like the upcoming Spring Eggstravaganza / Earth Day Fair event to be held on April 19 at Boisseranc Park.

The BP Today will also include an article on the upcoming launch of the Buena Park Sustainable Buddies on Instagram, with plans for a social media campaign and press release.

Lotus announced a webinar virtual town hall meeting to explain the Climate Action Adaptation Plan is scheduled for January 23 at 6 p.m. all are welcome to participate. The meeting will be helpful in gathering feedback from the community. The Climate Action and Adaptation Plan preliminary drafts will be released in April-May and final versions in June-July of this year.

The Commission discussed potential new goals and initiatives, including the idea of establishing a honey bee guild in Buena Park, similar to one in Lakewood, and the possibility of organizing small community events like clean-up walks. They shared ideas on increasing their presence in the community through social media and using the City's existing Instagram account for Buena Park.

The Commission agreed to continue building awareness of the new office and sustainability initiatives. Staff plans to resume sustainability learning sessions in February after the holidays and schedule field trips to facilities like EDCO's recycling center to check out their anaerobic digester.

6. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Schooner would like to discuss the possible development of a honey bee sanctuary in Buena Park.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting is February 4, 2025, at 6 p.m.

Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

Climate Action Commission Chair

A. COMMISSION APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

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Presented By	Prepared By
	Elizabeth Genera, Senior Administrative Assistant

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The City of Buena Park policy regarding appointment of the Climate Action Commission Chair and Vice Chair positions:

To have fair and equitable representation, the chair and vice-chair positions shall rotate between commissioners/committee members in numerical order by districts in January of each calendar year, pursuant to the manner and process established in City Council Policy No. 22 (2023).

Commission Chair 2024 - Annie Singhal (District 3 representing District 4) = **Commission Chair 2025 - Brandon Schooner (District 5)**

Commission Vice Chair 2024 - Alexandra Garcia (District 2) = **Commission Vice Chair 2025 - Annie Singhal (District 3)**



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B. DISCUSS COMMISSION EXPECTATIONS, 2025 GOALS, AND 2025 SCHEDULE

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Presented By	Prepared By
	Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager
Approved By	Presented By
Matt Foulkes, Director of Community Development	Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager