

## **Open Space and Ecology Committee and City Council Liaison Meeting**

### Minutes

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

Community Meeting Room

Brisbane City Hall

50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005

#### **Call to order:**

Chair Abney called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

#### **Committee members present:**

Hayuk, Vladimirova, Abney, Ebel, Fieldman, and Ankenbruck

#### **Committee members absent:**

Salmon

#### **Staff members present:**

Deputy Director of Public Works Kinser

Engineering Technician Sage

#### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

- Agenda adopted.

#### **2. Oral communications (public comment) - none**

#### **3. Review OSEC work plan**

- Kinser will review Council's direction regarding OSEC work plan
- Kinser shared that updates for the 2017 OSEC work plan included Firth Canyon, the Climate Action Plan, Library Display, and updates to the 2001 Open Space Plan.
- Glenn mentioned the subcommittee that Ankenbruck and Vladimirova are on for invasive species
- The committee discussed the condition of the signs on Quarry Rd. Staff will investigate removing graffiti on the metal sign and replacing the cardboard sign in the entrance kiosk with a metal sign.
- Abney suggested adding trail maps to a new sign if one is made.
- Ebel asked about getting more trail maps for the library
- The committee acknowledged a continuing problem of trash surrounding the informal skatepark off of Quarry Rd. Kinser stated that she had contacted San Mateo County in the past, and they came and cleaned it up. She let the committee

know that the County has an online request program where citizens can continue to let them know about the issue.

- Fieldman asked the other committee members to let San Bruno Mountain Watch know if they see damage from mountain bikers riding on the trails during the wet weather.
- Ebel asked whether the city was continuing to put out annual community surveys. Kinser responded that there is not another citywide survey currently planned.

#### **4. Review OSEC subcommittee assignments**

- Ankenbruck and Abney volunteered to serve on an ad hoc Christmas Tree Replacement Subcommittee that will include Park and Recreation Commission members and staff. Staff will get a cost for installing a new tree on a mound east of the existing tree before the committee meets. A committee recommendation would be brought to City Council.
- Ebel asked that staff resend the list that has all of the OSEC subcommittees and members.

#### **5. Approval of the minutes**

- Minutes approved unanimously

#### **6. Chair and committee member matters**

- Vladimirova reported her experience with the DIY energy toolkit. She thought it was well thought through, and the binder had great information. Suggestions for improvement included making the binder contents and possibly coupons available online.
- Kinser is going to follow up with C/CAG regarding their proposed toolkits for county library locations.
- Vladimirova is going to drop the toolkit off with Hayuk.
- The climate action plan subcommittee met late last year with a representative from Lipman School, Nowakowski, who reported that the school staff didn't have the ability to add a DIY toolkit to the curriculum.
- The committee discussed the certificates for the Lipman Science Fair on February 9<sup>th</sup>. Last year the certificates were provided by the school. Kinser will provide pins to Vladimirova.
- Ebel reported on the county Office of Sustainability's offering of a 'Live Green and Save Green' webinar on Feb. 9 as part of their Sustainability Academy series for residents. Staff will try to advertise the program on City social media sites.

- The committee decided to table the discussion regarding habitat restoration for Earth Day until the Habitat Restoration Subcommittee has had a chance to meet. Kinser reported that we received the funding to restore Firth Park Canyon, so she recommended considering that site for next year.

## **7. Subcommittee reports**

- See items 3 and 4.

## **8. Staff updates**

### **PCE outreach**

- Staff reported that Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) plans to add the remaining 80% of residents in the county that are not currently in the program, to the program, before Earth Day. They will provide outreach, including a presentation to City Council scheduled for March 2, posters, yard signs, and Twitter and Facebook posts that they have asked staff to distribute and repost.
- The committee suggested using the sign board in the Community Park and Nextdoor to provide further outreach about the program.
- Fieldman asked about getting a monitor into the lobby of City Hall to provide outreach to the public, with some interactive programs on it. Staff will investigate.
- Fieldman offered to write more climate facts, if time allows, and suggested recycling some of the originals.
- Ebel asked that staff come back to the committee with a calendar and OSEC subcommittee assignment list.

### **Earth Day Banners**

- Staff reported that we are funded for \$1,500 for Earth Day banners. That amount will pay for 32 banners. We can add up to three more designs (eight banners of each design) for an additional \$300. Banners will need to be ordered by mid-February. Staff will email the committee with more developed banner design options, based upon the provided feedback.

## **9. Next meeting**

- The next meeting will be February 22, 2017 at 6:30 pm

## **10. Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:43PM.