

**OPEN SPACE & ECOLOGY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

November 14, 2018

4:15 PM - Met in Brisbane City Hall Parking Lot for carpool

5:00 PM - Sol Lux Alpha, 685 Florida Street, San Francisco, CA

**Called to order at 5:06 PM.**

**Committee members present:** Ebel, Rogers, Fieldman, Ankenbruck, Dykes,  
Salmon (until 6:33 PM)

**Staff members present:** Deputy Director of Public Works Kinser  
Sustainability Management Analyst Etherton  
Engineering Technician Sage

**Public present:** John Sarter, CEO/Managing Partner, Sol Lux Alpha

**1. Roll call**

**2. Oral Communications (public comment)\***

None.

**3. Adoption of the agenda**

Agenda was revised to accommodate tour guide's schedule, correct the month of the minutes to be approved to October, and adopted.

**4. Approval of the October minutes**

Approved.

**5. Subcommittee reports**

**Invasive Plants:** Salmon and Sage reported on the weed management meeting for San Mateo County. The group will plan to host their annual Picnic in the Weeds event on San Bruno Mountain in early May 2019. SB2470 is expected to provide an RFP opportunity in 2019. The committee suggested considering rebates for invasive plant removal alongside an ordinance. The County is beginning review of their strategic plan.

**6. Tour of Sol Lux Alpha with John Sarter, CEO/Managing Partner**

Sarter took the group on a comprehensive tour of the zero net energy facility and pointed out key features of the building's energy efficient design, including bi-facial solar panels, heat pump water heaters, energy recovery ventilators, LED lighting and five independent battery storage systems, among others. The four-unit condo building is built to PassivHaus standards, has no fossil fuels, and is nearly independent of the grid, demonstrating the leading edge of sustainable building technologies. Committee

members and staff discussed various aspects of the building's design, technologies and approval process with Sarter, and thanked him for providing the tour.

**At ~7 PM, immediately following conclusion of the tour, committee members and staff relocated to dinner; no further committee business was conducted.**

**Next meeting date: December 19, 2018 6:30 PM**

\*Public comment on the agenda items is welcome at the discretion of the Chair