# SAUSALITO SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION 7.00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at 420 LITHO STREET, SAUSALITO, CA Thursday December 6th, 2007

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1) Always address the Chair; 2) State his/her name; 3) State views succinctly; and 4) Limit presentations to three (3) minutes.

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#### **Draft Minutes**

Chairperson: Dane Faber Secretary: Sue Currier

Members: Abe Christensen, Rich Fortmann, Monica Towers, Ray Gergus, Brett Van

**Emst, Ken Kurtzig** 

1. Call to Order at 7:00 pm

2. Roll Call; Dane Faber..Y., Sue Currier.Y..., Abe Christensen...No.., Rich Fortmann..Y..Ray

Gergus.Y....,Brett Van Emst...Y., Monica Towers ..Y...., Ken Kurtzig...Y.

City Council liason; Amy Belser....., Jonathan Leone ... Y

Bay City Refuse liason: Greg Christie.....

- 3. Approval of the Agenda.... approved
- 4. Minutes approved from 11-01-07 meeting..
- 5. Sausalito City Council Update...Jonathan Leone discussed Safety Building Budget and CCA summary about forming our own Electricity co-operative (along with Rich Fortmann who has been attending meetings)
- 6. Bay Cities Refuse Services Update.. Dane Faber reviewed our field trip to Bay Cities plus the 3<sup>rd</sup> party recycling plant. We were all impressed with the process.
- 7. Public Comment...

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### 8. Unfinished Business

A. Business Sustainability. Monica Towers is getting a survey from a friend to help us make another push on recycling.

B. Sewer Lateral Inspections -- review of Waste Treatment plant tour.

Based on what we learnt on our field trip, we have come to the conclusion that the extent of the problem in the infrastructure of Sausalito is an environmental disaster, and needs to be addressed by this Commission. Bob Simmons, General Manager of the Sausalito-Marin City Sanitary District estimated that 75% of all sewer laterals in Sausalito are leaking. We are all paying for these problems in fines and fees and this must be addressed.

Jonathan Leone suggested we ask the City Manager and Engineer to come and discussed this with us.

- C. Polystyrene Ban...Congratulations and special thanks to Rich Fortmann
- D. Website update

E. Sustainability of the new Safety Buildings and LEED certification, periodic updates. ----Kevin Bryant, Deputy Planning Director, City of Sausalito, has asked the Sustainability
Commission to review the attached draft statement of Sustainability Intent on the Safety
Buildings. The enclosed document is one piece of the LEED certification process. They would
like the Sustainability Commission to review and comment on the document before the City
Council endorses it.

This was approved with the further recommendation that the City use every possible effort to achieve LEED gold status

- F. Waste Can Project Jonathan Leone met with the Art Commission who will take over this project, but they would like our input with Bay Cities.
- G. ICLEI (International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives)
- H. Art Festival Signs/ Recycle Cans.. suggested that we invite Robin Sweeney and City Council member, Herb Weiner, to a meeting and present them with our suggestions.
- 9. New Business.
- -- comment and congratulations of our new name "Sustainability Commission". Discuss a new visionary statement.
- -- Follow up on \$5,000 windfall
- -- Adopt a budget and get a budget report from Greg Christie
- -- Organic Waste Processing
- -- Zero Waste Resolution in Sausalito
- -- Solar Panels for City Hall.....Kevin Bryant Deputy Planning Director, City of Sausalito, gave us an update and said City Council will make this an agenda item for sometime in January, with the expectation that it will be put out for RFP's.
- -- Review City policy on Capital Expenditure for vehicle purchases
- -- Construction Debris discussion
- 10. Next Month's Agenda
- --CAA..Detailed discussion from Rich Fortmann and Jonathan Leone
- --Green Building Ordinance discussion

--Discuss asking Bay Cities to set up curbside pick up to help recycle household batteries and dead cell phones to keep toxic materials from landfill.

## 11. Adjournment

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