

# AGENDA SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting 2023-02

Wednesday February 22, 2023 – 6:00 P.M. Council Chambers 120 Malabar Road, SE Palm Bay FL 32907

# CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

# ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting 2023-01; January 25, 2023

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

Public Comments on Agenda Items – Individuals wishing to speak on specific agenda items can do so at the time the item is being considered by the Board. The Chairperson will ask if there are any public comments prior to the Board taking action on the item. All speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

1. FPL Solar Program - Michele Murrell, FPL External Affairs

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Native plant test garden updates
- 2. Sustainability Fair updates

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Upcoming meetings/events of interest (INFORMATIONAL)

#### ADJOURNMENT:

If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the Sustainability Advisory Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, a record of the proceedings will be required and the individual will need to ensure that a

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verbatim transcript of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based (FS 286.0105). Such person must provide a method for recording the proceedings verbatim.

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# CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING 2023-01

Held on Wednesday, the 25th day of January 2023 at Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Palm Bay, Florida. The minutes are not a verbatim transcript, but a brief summary of the discussions and actions taken at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 P.M.

#### ROLL CALL:

CHAIRPERSON:	Phillip Snyder	Present
VICE CHAIRPERSON:	Vacant	
MEMBER:	Logan Luse	Present
MEMBER:	Kevin Smith	Present
MEMBER:	Rebecca J. Ziegler	Present
MEMBER:	Jane Higgins	Present
MEMBER:	Susan B. Connolly	Present
CITY STAFF:		

Suzanne Sherman, City Manager; Kristin Suros, Board Secretary

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

Carlos Cuevas, Stormwater Outreach Coordinator with Brevard County, He came to discuss the possibility of holding a rain barrel workshop at the Sustainability Fair on April 15, 2023. He discussed the grant program that it is being made possible through Brevard County and explained what the workshop would include.

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

#### 1. Regular Meeting 2022-11; November 21, 2022

Motion by Mr. Luse, seconded by Ms. Ziegler, to adopt the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### 1. Selection of a new Board Vice Chair

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Ziegler, to select Logan Luse as Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

### 2. Native plant test garden discussion

The Board discussed the possibility of starting a demonstration garden on city property that would include only native plants. Members discussed potential locations that would benefit having a garden, as well as the main purpose of the garden and best management practices. Lastly, the Board considered how funding and labor would be handled.

Motion by Ms. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Luse, that Ms. Higgins would be the point of contact on behalf of the Board to discuss the garden and its progress, and to provide progress updates at each future Board meeting.

#### 3. Sustainability Fair Discussion

The Board reviewed for ideas surrounding the Sustainability Fair that would be held April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The main focus was solidifying the time of day it would start and the types of vendors and groups the Board wanted to see participating at the fair. Ms. Sherman proposed submitting vendor ideas, contacts, etc. to Ms. Suros by Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Based on information collected and discussions with city personnel, an update would be given at the Board's February meeting.

Motion by Ms. Higgins, seconded by Mr. Luse, to include focal points after the Sustainability Fair event.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

# 1. Upcoming meetings/events of interest (INFORMATIONAL)

Board members discussed various events happening in neighboring cities and also within the City of Palm Bay at the end of January and beginning of February 2023.

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#### ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:33 P.M.

Phillip Snyder, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Kristin Suros, Board Secretary