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**City and County of San Francisco  
Commission on the Environment**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA**

**Tuesday, May 23, 2017, 5:00 P.M.  
City Hall, Room 416  
One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Jr. Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS:** Elmy Bermejo (President), Johanna Wald (Vice President), Lisa Hoyos, Heather Stephenson and Sarah Wan.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Public comment will be taken before the Commission takes action on any item.**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**
- 2. President's Welcome.** (Discussion)
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the March 28, 2017 Commission on the Environment meeting.** (Explanatory Documents: March 28, 2017 Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)
- 4. Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Commission on matters that are within the Commission's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.
- 5. Community Outreach Presentation: "Food to Flowers!" school lunchroom composting program.** Speaker: Tamar Hurwitz, Senior Environmental Specialist, Environmental Education Program (Discussion)

**PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

- 6. Presentation of the Commission on the Environment – Environmental Service Award to Health Care Without Harm and Antonio Díaz, Organizational Director, People Organizing to Demand Environmental and Economic Justice (¡PODER!).** Sponsor: Lisa Hoyos, Commissioner (Discussion)

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- 7. Presentation on San Francisco's "Roots" goal of carbon sequestration through increasing the urban forest and enhancing the City's biodiversity and a vote on adoption of citywide biodiversity goals.** Under the City Charter, the Commission on the Environment conducts public education

and outreach to the community on San Francisco's sustainability efforts. Sponsor: Deborah Raphael, Director (Discussion and Action)

- a. **Presentation on the San Francisco Urban Forestry Plan Phase 1 and the San Francisco Street Tree Census.** Speakers: Dan Flanagan, Chair, San Francisco Urban Forestry Council. (Discussion)
  - b. **Presentation on the implementation of San Francisco voter passed Proposition E of 2016 which transferred responsibility from property owners to the City for the maintenance of street trees and surrounding sidewalks.** Speakers: Carla Short, Vice-Chair, San Francisco Urban Forestry Council. (Discussion)
  - c. **Approval of Resolution File 2017-04-COE regarding citywide biodiversity goals and the Department of the Environment's role in protecting San Francisco's natural heritage.** Speaker: Peter Brastow, Senior Environmental Specialist and Lisa Fisher, Urban Planner, Sustainable City Team Lead, San Francisco Planning Department. (Discussion and Action)
8. **Director's Report.** Updates on Department of the Environment administrative and programmatic operations relating to Budget Planning, Strategic Planning, Clean Air/Transportation, Climate, Energy, Public Outreach and Education, Environmental Justice, Habitat Restoration, Green Building, Zero Waste, Toxics Reduction, and Urban Forestry. Speaker: Deborah Raphael, Director (Explanatory Document: Director's Report) (Discussion)
  9. **Committee Reports.** Highlights of the April 19, 2017 Operations Committee meeting at the May 8, 2017 Policy Committee meeting. (Discussion)
  10. **Announcements.** (Discussion)
  11. **Commission Affairs Manager Written Report.** Speaker: Anthony Valdez, Commission Affairs Manager (Explanatory Document: Commission Affairs Manager Report) (Discussion)
  12. **New Business/Future Agenda Items.** (Discussion and Possible Action)
  13. **Adjournment.**

**The next Regular Meeting of the Commission on the Environment is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2017, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, Room 416.**

\*\* Copies of explanatory documents are available at (1) the Commission's office, 1455 Market Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, California, 94103 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Photo identification is required for entry to Suite 1200. (2) on the Commission's website <http://www.sfenvironment.org/commission>; (3) upon request to the Commission Affairs Manager, at telephone number 415-355-3709, or via e-mail at [anthony.e.valdez@sfgov.org](mailto:anthony.e.valdez@sfgov.org) within three business days of a meeting. If any materials related to an item on this agenda have been distributed to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet, those materials are available for public inspection at the Department of the Environment, 1455 Market Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94103 during normal office hours or will be made available on the Commission's website <http://www.sfenvironment.org/commission> as attachments to the agenda or meeting minutes.

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### **Public Comment**

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission but are not on today's agenda. Public comment will be taken following each agenda item. Each member of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes, unless otherwise announced by the President. If it is demonstrated that the comments by the public will exceed 15 minutes, the President may continue Public Comment to another time during the meeting.

The Brown Act forbids the Commission from taking action or discussing any item or issue not appearing on the posted agenda. This rule applies to issues raised in public comment as well. In response to public comment, not on an agenda item, the Commission is limited to:

1. Briefly responding to statements made or questions posed by members of the public, or
2. Request staff to report back on a matter at a subsequent meeting, or
3. Directing staff to place the item or issue on a future agenda (Government Code Section 54954.2(a).)

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### Access Sa Wika

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