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

MEETING MINUTES DRAFT

**Tuesday, July 24, 2018, 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), Eddie Ahn, Lisa Hoyos, Heather Stephenson, Mike Sullivan 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.

The Commission on the Environment meeting was convened at 5:05 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Ahn, Bermejo, Sullivan and Wald. Excused: Commissioner Hoyos, Stephenson and Wan.

2. President's Welcome. (Discussion)

President Bermejo welcomed attendees and discussed the meeting agenda.

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes of the March 14, 2018 Commission on the Environment Special Meeting.
(Explanatory Documents: March 14, 2018 Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Upon a motion by Commissioner Ahn and a second by Commissioner Wald, the March 14, 2018 meeting minutes were approved without objection. (Ayes: Commissioner Ahn, Bermejo, Sullivan and Wald; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioners Hoyos, Stephenson and Wan.)

There was no public comment.

4. Approval of Minutes of the May 10, 2018 Commission on the Environment Special Meeting.
(Explanatory Documents: May 10, 2018 Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Upon a motion by Commissioner Ahn and a second by Commissioner Wald, the March 14, 2018 meeting minutes were approved without objection. (Ayes: Commissioner Ahn, Bermejo, Sullivan and Wald; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioners Hoyos, Stephenson and Wan.)

There was no public comment.

- 5. General 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.

There was no public comment.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

- 6. Presentation of the Commission on the Environment – Environmental Service Award to Gwynn Mackellen.** (Discussion)

Commissioner Wald discussed Gwynn Mackellen's internship and volunteer service to the Department of the Environment then presented the Environmental Service Award.

Gwynn Mackellen received the award.

Director Raphael thanked Gwynn Mackellen.

Public comment:

Sunshine Swinford, Community Relations Coordinator, thanked Gwynn Mackellen.

Kevin Drew, Residential Zero Waste Coordinator, thanked Gwynn.

- 7. Presentation of the Commission on the Environment – Environmental Service Award to the Tenderloin Community Benefit District Safe Passage Program.** (Discussion)

Commissioner Sullivan discussed the history of the Tenderloin Community Benefit District Safe Passage Program and their service to the community then presented the Environmental Service Award.

The award was accepted by Program Director Greg Moore.

Margaret McCarthy, Senior Transportation Marketing Specialist, discussed the work of Safe Passage and thanked them.

There was no public comment.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 8. Discussion of San Francisco's Climate Action Strategy on sustainable transportation.** 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)

a. Presentation on the Outreach Program’s participation in the Carpool to School Campaign.

Speakers: Sarah Peters, Outreach Communications Assistant and Pauli Ojea, Senior Toxics Reduction Coordinator

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Sarah Peters, Outreach Communications Assistant, discussed the Carpool to School Campaign including San Francisco’s Climate Action Goals, funding partners, why carpooling, campaign overview, the three messages, bus advertisements, junior billboards, Pandora radio ads, social media outreach, sharing by parents, grassroots outreach, engagement by the numbers and the redesigned website.

b. Presentation on San Francisco reaching the milestone of 50 percent of trips made by a sustainable form of transportation. Speaker: Tim Doherty, Senior Planner, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA)

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Tim Doherty, Senior Planner with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, discussed achieving the 2017 mode share goal and setting sights on 2030 including citywide emissions trends, sector emissions, climate action framework, 2017 results of travel mode share survey, transit first and realizing the 2030 goal.

c. Presentation on regional efforts to achieve San Francisco’s transportation and climate goals including the recent passage of Regional Measure 3 of 2018. Speakers: Tilly Chang, Executive Director, San Francisco County Transportation Authority and Michelle Beaulieu, Senior Transportation Planner, San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Tilly Chang, Executive Director, San Francisco County Transportation Authority, discussed Regional Measure 3 of 2018 including the role of the County Transportation Authority, background on Regional Measure 3, income from tolls, capital projects that will be funded, operating funds, enhancements to core transit capacity including BART, MUNI and CalTrain, Baytrail expansions and Senate Bill 1 projects benefiting San Francisco.

Commissioner Sullivan asked about whether the SF Park dynamic pricing pilot has been expanded citywide.

Commissioner Wald thanked the speakers and asked if the Carpool to School Campaign was able to measure the impact of the advertising on the number of students that participated in the program.

Commissioner Ahn asked about investments in electric busses in San Francisco.

There was no public comment.

9. Review and vote on approval of Resolution File No. 2018-06-COE in support of the San Francisco Single-Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics, and Litter Reduction Ordinance. Sponsor: Deborah Raphael, Director; Speaker: Jack Macy, Commercial Zero Waste Senior Coordinator (Explanatory

Document: Resolution File No. 2018-06-COE Single-Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics, and Litter Reduction Ordinance) (Discussion and Action)

Deborah Raphael, Director, introduced the item.

Jack Macy, Commercial Zero Waste Senior Coordinator, discussed the Single-Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics, and Litter Reduction Ordinance including plastic pollution in the ocean, single-use foodware litter in San Francisco, single-use food and beverage packaging, small plastics not being recovered in the recycling system, the Single-Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics, and Litter Reduction Ordinance components, support for banning straws, reusable and plastic free alternatives, exception for medical needs, accessories upon request, fluorinated chemicals in foodware, BPI certification, reusable cup requirement for outdoor events, post-consumer recycled content requirement, cost savings to businesses, effective dates, outreach and education, possible future policies, reusable foodware and leadership from the business community.

Commissioner Wald introduced various non-substantive amendments and an additional whereas clause to discuss the Department's collaboration with the business and disability community to address exemptions for disabilities and medical needs.

Commissioner Ahn asked about outreach to immigrant communities due to the higher cost of paper straws.

Commissioner Bermejo asked if there were was opposition to the ordinance.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Sullivan and a second by Commissioner Wald, Resolution File No. 2018-06-COE Single-Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics, and Litter Reduction Ordinance was approved as amended without objection. (Ayes: Commissioner Ahn, Bermejo, Sullivan and Wald; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioners Hoyos, Stephenson and Wan.)

Public Comment:

Lawrence Carter-Long, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund, discussed the burden of the proposed ordinance on the disability community.

10. Director's Report. Speaker: Deborah Raphael, Director (Discussion)

Deborah Raphael, Director, discussed the Mayor's Earth Day Breakfast, the battery recycling campaign, the use of renewable diesel by Bay Area ferries, the rollout of the new zero waste system in the Bayview Hunter's Point Neighborhood, approval of the Department budget, grants received by the Department, the Global Climate Action Summit, a joint meeting with the Commission on the Status of Women, a zero waste facilitator ordinance, a single use plastics ordinance and introduced new staff.

There was no public comment.

11. Committee Reports. Highlights of the April 18, 2018 Operations Committee meeting and the March 12, 2018; May 14, 2018 and June 11, 2018 Policy Committee meetings. (Discussion)

Commissioner Wald reported on the March 12, 2018 Policy Committee meeting which included discussions on the impact of San Francisco's tree policies and the prevalence of fluorinated chemicals, the May 14, 2018 Policy Committee Meeting which included conversations on the impacts of natural gas on San Francisco's climate action goals and the June 11, 2018 Policy Committee meeting which included discussions on the San Francisco County Transportation Authority's draft Emerging Mobility Evaluation Report and the Single Use Food Ware Plastics, Toxics and Litter Reduction Ordinance.

Anthony Valdez, Commission Secretary, reported on the April 18, 2018 Operations Committee meeting which included discussions on the impact of the Department's web and social media outreach in 2017 and school education outreach for the new zero waste programs.

There was no public comment.

12. Announcements. (Discussion)

There were no announcements.

There was no public comment.

13. New Business/Future Agenda Items. Speaker: Charles Sheehan, Policy and Communications Director (Discussion and Possible Action)

Charles Sheehan, Policy and Communications Director, reported that in September the commission will be reviewing both the Green Purchasing Report and the Reduced Risk Pesticide List and in October the Commission is planning to have a joint meeting with the Commission on the Status of Women.

There was no public comment.

14. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

The next meeting of the Commission on the Environment is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2018, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, Room 416.

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