

City of Delray Beach

*100 N.W. 1st Avenue
Delray Beach, FL 33444*



Minutes - Draft

Thursday, August 17, 2023

9:00 AM

434 S Swinton Ave

Green Implementation Advancement Board

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am by Senior Assistant City Attorney Kelly Brandon.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Evan Orellana, Chairperson (newly elected)
Lindsay Zukerberg, Vice-Chairperson (newly elected)
Melanie Stefanovic, Board Member

Staff Present:

Kelly Brandon , Senior Assistant City Attorney
Kent Edwards, Sustainability Officer
Mary Wozny, Assistant Sustainability Planner

Present 3 - Evan Orellana, Lindsay Zukerberg, and Melanie Stefanovic

Absent 2 - Vinnie Ardillo, and Heather Seaman

3. Approval of Agenda

Lindsay Zukerberg made the motion to approve the agenda and it was seconded by Evan Orellana. The motion passed unanimously.

Yes: 3 - Orellana, Zukerberg, and Stefanovic

Absent: 2 - Ardillo, and Seaman

4. Approval of Minutes

Lindsay Zukerberg made the motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Evan Orellana. The motion passed unanimously.

Yes: 3 - Orellana, Zukerberg, and Stefanovic

Absent: 2 - Ardillo, and Seaman

Attachments: [GIAB minutes draft 072023](#)

5. Public Comments on Agenda & Non-Agenda Items

None

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

a. Elections

Current Board members and City staff introduced themselves to the new Board member present and provided background on the GIAB.

Chairperson - Evan Orellana was nominated by Lindsay Zuckerberg and seconded by Melanie Stefanovic. The nomination passed unanimously.

Vice Chairperson - Lindsay Zuckerberg was nominated by Evan Orellana and seconded by Melanie Stefanovic. The nomination passed unanimously.

Second Vice Chairperson - Vinnie Ardillo was nominated by Lindsay Zuckerberg and seconded by Evan Orellana. The nomination passed unanimously.

Control of the meeting was passed from the Senior Assistant City Attorney to the new Chair Evan Orellana.

b. New Board member training - City Attorney

The Senior Assistant City Attorney Kelly Brandon provided an orientation session for new Board members. This covered the legal training required pertaining to serving on the Board.

c. Climate and Art

OSAR staff provided background information on the Climate and Art event for new Board members.

Major updates for Climate and Art were listed in the OSAR report. A link to the website with more details is also provided in the OSAR report. The main event will be held on Saturday, September 2nd. It will consist of several guest speakers presenting at the Cornell Museum and Arts Warehouse between 10am-2pm. There will also be a BioBlitz led by the National Wildlife Refuge Association from 9-10am at Old School Square focusing on pollinators.

d. Annual Report

Attachments: [2023 Annual Report](#)

The GIAB is required to make an annual presentation to the Commission in February of each year. A copy of the annual report from last year was attached to the agenda for reference. The annual report

can be used to describe the topics that have been focused on over the year and what the Board plans to focus on throughout the upcoming year.

The topics in last year's annual report were analyzed to determine how they could be edited for this year's report. The topics that were looked at included: solid waste, the green building ordinance, greenhouse gas emissions, trees, plastics, a climate action plan, and education. The discussion included potential bullet points for each topic and topics that should be highlighted such as the climate action plan and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. OSAR staff will work on editing the draft report for further discussion at upcoming meetings.

e. Education initiatives

i. Single-use plastics

Attachments: [Ord 10-19 Plastic Straws](#)

[Sec. 121.01. PROHIBITION OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC STRAWS](#)

Attachments: [Sustainable Food Service ware guide \(2\)](#)

Possible education initiatives around single-use plastics were identified, but will need to be further discussed at future meetings. Ideas included doing outreach through social media and magazine articles. It was also suggested to refrain from using the term "ban" in regard to the plastic straw ordinance. There was consensus to keep this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

8. Board Comments

None

9. Staff Comments

Attachments: [GIAB Staff Rpt 081723](#)

Topics detailed on the OSAR staff report were discussed. Additional comments not found in the report are recorded below.

November Meeting Date: OSAR staff made a request that a date change for the November GIAB meeting be considered. The Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact Conference is scheduled for November 16th and 17th which coincides with the regularly scheduled GIAB meeting and OSAR staff usually attends this conference. The GIAB agreed to accommodate OSAR staff and move the meeting to Tuesday, November 21st from 9-11am.

Recycling: Representatives from Public Works, Neighborhood and Community Services, and Parks and Recreation will be touring the recycling facility at the SWA on Thursday, August 24th.

Tree Trust Fund: The balance has been adjusted and now reflects the accurate amount available for year four of the Tree Planting Program or other tree planting projects.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction: Kent Edwards will be giving a presentation on how the City can reduce greenhouse gas emissions at both Climate and Art on September 2nd at Arts Warehouse and the City Commission meeting on September 18th.

10. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lindsay Zukerberg and it was seconded by Melanie Stefanovic. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:55am.