# **City of Delray Beach**

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



# **Minutes - Draft**

Thursday, May 19, 2022 9:00 AM

434 S. Swinton Avenue

**Green Implementation Advancement Board** 

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am by Hal Stern.

#### 2. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted by staff.

#### **Members Present:**

Hal Stern, Chairperson Sarah Lucas, Vice-Chairperson Shaynaz Malleck

#### **Staff Present:**

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

Present 3 - Sarah Lucas, Hal Stern, and Shaynaz Malleck

Absent 4 - Nancy Chanin, Lisa Shaheen, Isabelle Seckler, and Suzanne Donohue

# 3. Approval of Agenda

Sarah Lucas made the motion to approve the agenda and it was seconded by Shaynaz Malleck. The motion passed unanimously.

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Yes: 3 - Lucas, Stern, and Malleck

Absent: 4 - Chanin, Shaheen, Seckler, and Donohue

### 4. Approval of Minutes

Sarah Lucas made the motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Shaynaz Malleck. The motion passed unanimously.

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Yes: 3 - Lucas, Stern, and Malleck

Absent: 4 - Chanin, Shaheen, Seckler, and Donohue

Attachments: GIAB Minutes Draft 042122

#### 5. Public Comments on Agenda & Non-Agenda Items

#### **Members of the Public Present:**

Lindsay Zukerberg - business owner of Zuke's Refillery

M. Hudson - comments under Section 8 Board Member Comments

#### 6. Old Business

#### Recycling

Bruce Bastian, a past GIAB president, sent an email to the GIAB members in regard to bifurcated recycling carts. This email was forwarded to OSAR staff. If the City wanted to pursue this, it would need to be included in the contract negotiations since there would be an additional significant cost for the bins and the trucks able to collect those type of bins. Another option to be discussed during the solid waste and recycling contract negotiations involves switching to CNG trucks.

#### 7. New Business

#### a. Green Task Force Report

There was a discussion about the Green Task Force Report that was produced over 10 years ago. The Green Task Force Report contains data from 2008 and 2009, but it is a great background as to what the City has set as priorities for sustainability and resilience. It was put together by a group of concerned citizens, not City staff. The report has many recommendations for the City in regard to sustainability and resilience actions. Some recommendations have been implemented, some are still being worked on, and some have yet to be addressed. It could help the GIAB come up with relevant issues to address in the upcoming year.

The report discusses some topics that are currently being looked at by City staff such as a Green House Gas inventory and Green Building requirements. Commercial recycling is also mentioned in the report which is currently being worked on by OSAR staff. Other issues of importance have developed since the formulation of this report such as the concern with single-use plastics.

For next meeting, the Green Task Force Report will be kept on the agenda. Several Board members were absent and might like to discuss some of the topics mentioned in the report. Board members also suggested doing some research of their own on topics such as Green House Gas inventories so they can discuss it further at the next meeting as its own topic.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>GreenTaskForceReportandRec</u>

#### 8. Board Member Comments

Sarah Lucas addressed the member of the public who arrived after the Public Comment section of the meeting so he could introduce himself

and comment.

M. Hudson attended the City Goal Setting meeting and he expressed his concern about building regulations for future projects not including green and sustainable requirements such as solar panels and limits on greenhouse gas emissions. The GIAB members and OSAR staff gave some background on the Green Building Ordinance that the City has been working on and the Solar Together program with FPL. The net metering bill that was recently vetoed by the Governor was highlighted in the discussion that will still promote the installation of solar panels on future building projects.

#### 9. Staff Comments

The City Attorney noted that at the Commission meeting on May 17th, 2022, it was decided to not permit Board members to virtually participate in meetings effective immediately. Any member wishing to participate in a meeting must attend in person. Other attendance policy language addressing how many absences are allowed by Board members will be discussed at a future Commission meeting. As of now, if a Board member misses 3 consecutive meetings or 5 total meetings during the 12 month period, they will be removed from the Board.

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

**July 19th Commission Workshop:** Half of the workshop will be on the six items mentioned in the GIAB Annual Report focusing heavily on the Green Building Ordinance. The other half of the meeting will be the Tree Inventory presentation by E Sciences/RES.

**Green Building Ordinance:** The video from the public outreach meeting on March 31, 2022 was successfully edited. It has been emailed out to meeting participants and various City staff. It has also been posted on the OSAR website. The video addresses some of the major concerns of the development community and will be used in future outreach efforts.

Sustainability and Climate Action Plan: The City will be participating in the Race to Zero cohort that starts in June. This will address some of the concerns about the Green House Gas Inventory that were previously discussed. Some baseline data was missing and OSAR staff is working on data requests right now before the cohort begins.

Climate and Art 2022: OSAR staff met with some community

partners to decide on the date and theme for this year's event. A basic schedule was created. A school art contest is also being developed where winners will have their art displayed at Arts Warehouse. GIAB members suggested contacting the BPOA and making them aware of the event plans.

Attachments: GIAB Staff Rpt 051922

# 10. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sarah Lucas and it was seconded by Shaynaz Malleck. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:37am.