



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

6:00 PM - Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Via Video Conference and In Person

IN-PERSON PARTICIPATION: Members of the public may participate in-person at the Los Altos Community Center in the Sequoia Room located at 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos, CA.

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AGENDA

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Members of the audience may bring to the Commission's attention any item that is not on the agenda. The Commission Chair will announce the time speakers will be granted before comments begin. Please be advised that, by law, the Environmental Commission is unable to discuss or take action on issues presented during the Public Comment Period. According to State Law (also known as "The Brown Act") items must first be noted on the agenda before any discussion or action.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. **Conservation Technology Accelerator Presentation:** Staff will present on forest mapping technologies.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

2. **Meeting Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 13, 2025.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. **Transportation Update:** Chair Humayun will provide an update followed by discussion.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. Reports from Council Meetings
2. Roundtable Progress Updates

STAFF UPDATES**POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS****ADJOURNMENT****SPECIAL NOTICES TO PUBLIC**

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M. IN
PERSON AND TELECONFERENCE

ESTABLISHING QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Humayun (Virtual), Vice Chair van Reis, Commissioner Hecht,
Commissioner Lu, Commissioner Nee, and Commissioner Weiden (Virtual)

ABSENT: None

ATTENDEES: Tania Katbi (Management Analyst II), Nick Zornes (Assistant City Manager),
Veronica Tinoco (Building Official)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments provided by Peter Landsberger.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. **GreenTown Los Altos Summer Internship Presentation**

Donovan Carlson showcased the results from his summer project, highlighting key learnings and achievements from the work followed by Q&A.

2. **Carbon Removal Presentation**

Karl Danz a volunteer with the OpenAir Collective, presented carbon removal solutions, policy, and how Los Altos can help advance the work.

Action: Bring to a future meeting to discuss recommending this to City Council to participate in the Carbon Removal Purchasing Challenge.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

3. **Environmental Commission Minutes**

Approved minutes of the June 11, 2025, meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Vice Chair van Reis, seconded by Commissioner Nee, the Environmental Commission approved the meeting minutes with edits.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Lu, Humayun, Nee, van Reis, Weiden, Hecht

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

4. **SVCE 2025 Model Codes**

Approved staff's recommendation to adopt the SVCE 2025 model ordinances, AC to Heat Pump and Electric Readiness, to the City Council for adoption concurrently with the 2025 State Building Code Updates.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hecht, seconded by Vice Chair van Reis, the Environmental Commission approved the recommendation.

The motion was approved (6-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Lu, Humayun, Nee, van Reis, Weiden, Hecht

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Residential Building Electrification Working Group Update

Working group and City staff provided an update on electrification efforts followed by a group discussion.

6. Urban Forest & Ecosystem Master Plan Working Group Update

Working group and City staff provided an update on electrification efforts followed by a group discussion.

Public Comment by Maria Bautista, Alice Mansell, and Catherine Nunes.

7. Transportation Update

Chair Humayun provided an update followed by a group discussion.

8. General Outreach

City staff answered questions that were asked at previous meetings followed by a group discussion.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

9. Reports from Council Meetings

Commissioners shared updates from Council meetings.

10. Roundtable Progress Updates

Commissioners shared project updates.

Group	Topic	Commissioner
Working Pair	Residential Home Electrification	Hecht, Nee
Working Pair	Urban Forest	Lu, van Reis
Individual Work	Electrification Event	van Reis
Individual Work	Transportation	Humayun
Individual Work	Deconstruction	Humayun

STAFF UPDATES

Staff shared updates with the commission.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. CAL Water Update
2. GHG Inventory Follow-up
3. Workplan Updates
4. Deconstruction Discussion
5. Residential Electrification Discussion
6. Transportation Discussion
7. Conservation Technology Accelerator (Special presentation)
8. Artificial Turf Discussion
9. Living Green Event Discussion

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Humayun adjourned the meeting at 9:20 pm.