

# ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

## CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES, FL

June 7, 2022

The workshop meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board was called to order at 6:31 P.M. by Chair Tewari, Tuesday, June 7, 2022, in The Frank Art Gallery.

**Present:** Chair Tewari; Vice Chair Marcos; Members Smith and Rimarachin

**Absent:** Members Naigur, Tripathi, Johnson, and Cordova

**Also Present:** City Staff Liaison Joseph Yaciuk, City Staff Liaison Cole Williams, City Staff Liaison Juliana Salazar-Rosario, Assistant City Attorney Heather Needelman, and Board Secretary Nadia Ally

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### **OATH OF OFFICE:**

New member, Brian Smith, took the oath of office for the Environmental Advisory Board.

Liaison Yaciuk reviewed board vacancies and introduced board members and staff.

Assistant Attorney Needelman reviewed the Sunshine Law. Chair Tewari asked Member Smith to introduce himself to the board.

### **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:**

There was no quorum for an election.

### **MINUTES:**

There was no quorum to approve the February 1, 2022, March 1, 2022, and April 5, 2022 meeting minutes.

Vice Chair Marcos requested the City Clerk's Office email the City Commission regarding the vacancies on the Environmental Advisory Board. Member Rimarachin asked about reducing the amount of members needed for a quorum.

### **REPORT OF LIAISON:**

Liaison Yaciuk introduced Juliana Salazar-Rosario from the planning department. He reviewed the board objectives and purpose.

Chair Tewari acknowledged two members of the public in attendance.

Liaison Williams reviewed landscape information for April and May 2022 including new developments, landscape upgrades, mitigation projects, tree removal permits, landscape permits, and new projects with sustainability elements.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Chair Tewari discussed board night, stating that it went well. His presentation was also sent to board members via email by the board secretary.

Liaison Yaciuk said they will try to have internal staff and directors speak to the board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Liaison Yaciuk discussed City Commission green related items, which included Commissioner Good wanting movement towards EV vehicles for city fleet. Member Rimarachin shared that Fort Lauderdale and Hollywood have electric shuttle buses.

Members reviewed chapter six of the Green Plan. Member Smith asked about the old city hall. Liaison Yaciuk stated the new city hall has green elements.

Liaison Yaciuk showed the Green Plan sample format. He went over the 2022-2023 Environmental Advisory Board meeting dates and events. He also mentioned the Parks Masterplan, Transportation Masterplan, and Economic Development Strategic Plan and how they will interlace with the Green Plan to support the future of the environmental growth of the city.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There was none.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

There was no quorum to excuse the absences of Members Cordova and Naigur from the March 1, 2022 meeting, Members Tripathi and Johnson from the April 5, 2022 meeting, and Members Naigur, Tripathi, and Johnson from the June 7, 2022 meeting.

**REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Liaison Yaciuk mentioned that there are no meetings in July. The next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board will be August 2, 2022.

Chair Tewari adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Secretary

APPROVED: 8/2/2022