

## Environment and Sustainability Task Force Special Called Meeting Minutes

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**Meeting Date:** February 19, 2021  
**Convened:** 10:41 a.m.  
**Adjourned:** 12:10 p.m.

**Task Force Members Present:**

Sandy Greyson, **Chair**  
Rita Beving, **Vice-Chair**  
Aaryaman Singhal  
Tracy Wallace  
Michael Martin  
Tony Robinson  
Alan Hoffmann  
Drew Campbell  
Pamela Rogers

**Task Force Member(s) Absent:**

Erryn Hopson  
Ples Montgomery, IV  
Dr. Maria Boccalandro  
Janette Monear  
Phil Crone  
Raphaella Silva

**Staff Present:**

Susan Alvarez, OEQS, Task Force Staff Liaison  
Sheila Delgado, OEQS  
Pharr Andrews, OEQS  
Katy Evans, OEQS  
Brittany Hailey-Wells, OEQS  
Kevin Overton, OEQS  
Tammy Palomino, CAO  
Bertram Vandenberg  
Casey Burgess

**AGENDA:**

**1. Call to Order**

**Action Taken/Recommendation(s):**

Chair called the Environment and Sustainability Task Force special called meeting to order at 10:41 a.m., Friday, February 19, 2021 at Dallas City Hall, via TEAMS Virtual Meeting Service, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

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### **2. Conclude Discussion and Voting on Formation of an Environmental Commission**

Sandy Greyson opened the discussion with a question about how many years of experience the task force will recommend for the technical resource panel. The task force voted on a requirement of four years' experience for technical experts.

Several task force members requested that language be added to require consultation with the task force and/or OEQS staff regarding nominations for technical experts. After discussion, the task force agreed to include language that specifically names OEQS staff as consultants to the City Manager. Sandy will talk to CAO about changing the wording.

The task force agreed to specify that at least one of the fifteen voting members must have public health expertise. Additional requirements for the fifteen voting members were also agreed upon - two years of environmental experience and two years of neighborhood environmental advocacy or public health expertise.

The task force revisited its discussions about meeting frequency. The task force will recommend monthly meetings. The task force will recommend a separate standing Public Health Committee - and other standing committees, as needed—to meet on additional issues.

The task force will recommend that the EC should collaborate with other commissions that are working on relevant issues, such as zoning, development, etc. CAO will look into the appropriate language to include. The task force will also recommend an “environmental checklist” be used by relevant commissions to ensure that they are prioritizing the goals of the CECAP.

The task force agreed that the ENVIS will review the effectiveness of the EC at the end of the initial two-year term and every two years after, and the ENVIS will make recommendations for adjustments after review. Additionally, language will be added to request opportunities for public hearings or other public input regarding the reviews.

These are the final recommendations, along with those previously agreed upon, that will be passed along to the ENVIS.

### **3. Meeting Wrap-Up**

**Motion to adjourn meeting.**

**Motion by:** Aaryaman Singhal

**Motion seconded by:** Rita Beving

Passed by majority.

The February 19, 2021 Environment and Sustainability Task Force Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

*Sandy Greyson*

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Chair  
Environment & Sustainability Task Force



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Task Force Staff Liaison  
Environment & Sustainability Task Force