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Chris Duggan – Appointed by Commissioner Joy Malakoff

DATE: June 28 or 25th, 2019

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Sustainability Committee

A meeting of the Sustainability Committee has been scheduled for June 28 25th 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Manager’s Small Conference Room, 4th Floor, City Hall.

The attendees were as follows: Dave Doebler, Luiz Rodrigues, Mohammed Islam, Max Litt, Chris Duggan, and Jeremy Waks

City Staff: Sara Saunders, Code Compliance Assistant Director; Omar Leon, Urban Forester; Harper Martinez, Forestry Field Specialist; Flavia Tonioli, Sustainability Manager; Yanira Pineda, Sustainability Specialist; and Alyssia Berthoumieux, Sustainability Specialist.

Members Absent: Mike Gibaldi

Minutes

1. Committee Responsibilities

- a. **MOTION:** Motion to approve the May 28, 2019 minutes. Motion made by Luiz Rodrigues, seconded by Chris Duggan.

Sustainability and Resiliency Committee Overview - Yanira Pineda, Sustainability Specialist, provided an overview of the discussions held during the last meeting.

2. Sustainability Committee Work Plan

a. Old Business

- i. Single-Use Plastics Workshop – Dave Doebler presented the item and discussed the most common types of litter collected in 2017 within the state of Florida. He highlighted that all of the items listed within the top 10 categories are considered to be “single-use”. Mr. Doebler proposed ideas that could help with decreasing single-use plastic dependency and establishing programs and funding sources for these types of incentives. The committee discussed the upcoming proposed ordinance for a citywide ban on single-use straws and stirrers. **MOTION:** The Sustainability Committee fully supports the city-wide elimination on the sale or use of single-use plastic beverage straws and single-use plastic stirrers. We

recognize this is our next step to eliminate one of the most common plastic marine debris items. Motion made by Dave Doebler, seconded by Chris Duggan.

b. New Business

- i. Urban Forestry Masterplan - Omar Leon, Urban Forester presented the item. He gave an overview of the city's Urban Forestry Master Plan and included the purpose and benefits of the proposed plan. Mr. Leon highlighted the benefits of shade trees in comparison to palm trees and how incorporating additional shade trees will help with addressing the anticipated increase of days over 96 degrees. He further added how the plan addresses challenges such as limited space for proper tree growth, pests, improper tree maintenance, and the aging tree canopy. Ms. Pineda explained that she would share the presentation with the committee for their reference and encouraged their attendance in future urban forestry workshops.

3. Next Meeting

- a. July 30, 2019