

CORAL GABLES SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD  
 CORAL GABLES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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 CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2016 @ 5:00 P.M.

- MINUTES -

MEMBERS	N 15	D 15	J 16	F 16	M 16	A 16	M 16	J 16	J 16	A 16	S 16	O 16	APPOINTED BY:
<b>Ramesh Airan</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Mayor Cason
<b>Sharon Trbovich</b>	E	E	P	P	P	E	P	E	P	P	P	E	Vice Mayor Quesada
<b>Rhonda Anderson</b>							P	P	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Lago
<b>Roy Wasson</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Slesnick
<b>Marlin Ebbert</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Keon
<b>Enrique Bernal</b>	E	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	E	P	P	P	City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark
<b>Irela Bague</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	City Commission-As-A-Whole

A – Absent  
 P – Present  
 E – Excused  
 (\*) no meeting

**STAFF:**

Matthew Anderson, Sustainability Advisory Board Staff Liaison  
 David Lindsey, Administrative Analyst  
 John Osgood – P.W. Assistant Director Field Services

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair person, Ray Airan called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**GUEST:**

Henry Sori– Waste Management  
 Jason Neal – Waste Management  
 Luis Rodriguez – E-Comb  
 Teddy Lhoutellier – UM, Sustainability Manager

**MOTIONS:**

**September 26, 2016 meeting minutes – Enrique made a motion to approve the minutes, Marlin seconded the motion the motion was unanimously approved.**

**Marlin made a motion to excuse Irela and Sharon, Rhonda seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Marlin made a motion for Enrique to reach out to the Hometown Trolley Technical Director and invite him to attend an upcoming SAB meeting and give a presentation on the Electric Trolleys, Rhonda seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Rhonda made a motion requesting that Marlin look into movie clips, such as “Bag It” done at the C. G. Art Cinema sometime during Earth Week, Enrique seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Waste Management Presentation** - Jason stated that Waste Management does recycle cardboards, they send out flyers and they tell people, if they need additional recycling bins, to request them (he provided flyers to the board for their view). Jason said they do encourage their customers to recycle but they also encourage to recycle the right things. They have given tours of their recycling plant to encourage people to recycle the right way. They have given out awards with the Chamber of Commerce to recognize sustainability achievements. Commercial property recycling is a little more complicated and are contracted individually, for their service. The CDB (Central District Business) receives larger bins at no cost. Jason stated they would like to see every single property recycle, it’s the law. The law requires every property to recycle whether commercial, single or multi family, this is a County ordinance. The County does fine, per square footage depending on the building, for none compliance but it is usually complaint driven.

Teddy has been having a difficult time trying to convince property owners at the University to comply with the recycling, and therefore asked Jason if he can provide the ordinance, via e-mail to him.

Enrique, Rhonda and Marlin all suggested that Waste Management put some sort of a sticker on their bins showing the types of recyclable things that should be going into the bins, for example: cans, bottles, paper etc.

Both Rhonda and Enrique advised Jason, that the Waste Management bins clearly states no cardboard and that it needs to be put in separate bin. Jason was surprised to hear this as he very well mentioned that Waste Management recycles cardboard boxes. Jason was going to follow up and investigate.

Jason suggested that the Board members going to Waste Management’s web-site and view all the services they provide as well as informational resources.

Ray mentioned that continuing education from time to time can be a big help in getting people to recycle.

**MEMBER’S REPORT:**

*Enrique* – mentioned that there have been a few articles on Cities transitioning to LED Lighting. One article talked about the color temperature of the lights. Enrique will send the articles to Matt via e-mail, Matt will forward it to the Board. Another article reflected on the leaked video, on what the electric utilities did to confuse people on the solar amendment. Matt added that the City Commission passed a resolution, opposing amendment one. The last article Enrique discussed was on Electric Trolley's, he asked the Board if he could invite the representative (based out of Wisconsin) of the Electric Trolleys to attend an SAB meeting and give a presentation.

Marlin– helping coordinate the Electronic Recycling Event with Matt that is scheduled for November 12, 2016 from 9-12 in the City Hall Parking .Matt added to date over 22,500 pounds of e-waste has been collected.

Marlin asked about the waste paint cans. Matt said there is money in the budget this year for a household hazardous waste drop off event and he will be working with John to coordinate.

*Roy* – will also reach out to electronic cars vendors, based out of California and invite them to the SAB meetings and have them present their electronic vehicles.

Matt stated that the Coral Gables Museum would like to have some type of Garage Sale in April and would like to know if the SAB would like to be a part of it. Ray asked that someone from the Museum attend the next SAB meeting and give more information on it.

John Osgood discussed provided a brief synopsis of the recent community trash pits meetings he attended in which residents provided input on the trash pits.

*The next Sustainability Advisory Board was moved up to Wednesday, November 16, 2016 since the actual meeting falls on the week of Thanksgiving.*

**Up Coming Events:**

- November 3, 2016: Recycling 101 Seminar at the C. G. Museum
- November 12, 2016: Electronic Recycling Event in the City Hall Parking Lot

**ADJOURNED:**

6:45pm