



CITY of BRISBANE

Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 27, 2026 at 6:30 P.M. • Hybrid Meeting 50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA

CALL TO ORDER – 6:31 PM

ROLL CALL

Consider any request of a committee member to attend the meeting remotely under the “Emergency Circumstances” of AB 2449

Committee members present: Atapattu, Carney, Rogers, Salmon, Walker. Nunan was absent. Becker attended remotely under provisions of AB 2449.

Staff members present: Sustainability Manager, Etherton; Sustainability Fellow, De La Cruz. Management Analyst Brown attended remotely.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Salmon moved to adopt the agenda and Rogers seconded; the motion was adopted unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – Etherton noted the release of the Baylands FEIR and mentioned there is no formal comment period moving forward, although the committee members may make comments as members of the public until Council presentation. The committee may choose to make comments as a body after forming an ad hoc subcommittee, and present their comments as a group. Workshops for FIER and Specific Plan will be May 28 and June 11, and are intended to be informational sessions. Comments will be addressed June 25 at the Planning Commission Hearing, with a final Council hearing set in the Fall, date TBD.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- A. Minutes of April 22, 2026 – Salmon moved to adopt the agenda and Rogers seconded. Atapattu, Becker, and Carney abstained. The motion was otherwise adopted unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- B. Presentation from Jordan Bow of Renew SF Bay
- Jordan Bow presented a shoreline restoration proposal focused on solutions for shoreline resilience, habitat restoration, and sea level rise adaptation in Brisbane
 - City staff clarified that the Marina Garden project involved in the proposal does not require Council approval, although the total restoration project may require additional review and approval of both Staff and Council
 - Committee approved the formation of an OSEC ad hoc subcommittee to coordinate future shoreline restoration proposals; the Marina Garden

restoration project; and additional potential habitat restoration events, with approval from Council to add to Workplan

- Salmon moved and Carney seconded. The motion was approved unanimously
- Liasons to meet with Council for addition to Workplan
- C. Appoint a Representative for the Beautification Subcommittee
 - Salmon nominated Rogers and Rogers accepted. Salmon moved and Atapattu seconded- the motion was adopted unanimously
- D. Summer Habitat Restoration Day
 - Staff suggested Owl Canyon as the location recommended by San Bruno Mountain Watch, with July 18 date
 - Quarry Road suggested by Committee with Committee members Rogers and Salmon to follow up with related parties and availability
 - Staff to follow-up with final date and location
- E. Budget and Project Updates
 - Etherton presented current Sustainability budget, with no action items

STAFF UPDATES

- Etherton updated Committee on Council approval of recommended tree canopy goal of 23% by 2040. Next step is to schedule and Tree Subcommittee meeting with Staff including Public Works and GIS manager Bob Sage
- Pool Electrification ribbon cutting is scheduled for June 9 at 2:30 PM
- Staff met with PG&E regarding the Corporation Yard EV charging project with funding from PG&E and Peninsula Clean Energy
 - Etherton informed Committee that infrastructure is intended for Public Works fleet charging only (not public use) with a total goal of approximately 7–9 Public Works electric vehicles by 2030.
- The Committee was informed that the City is participating in county-led pilot program to streamline heat pump water heater permitting with coordination from Community Development Department and county staff. Updates to be provided.
- Etherton informed Committee that the City submitted interest in participating in the SB 1221 Priority Neighborhood Decarbonization Zones pilot program that would replace gas pipeline upgrades with neighborhood-scale electrification projects. Updates to be provided.
- David Schooley Monument Subcommittee met May 20. They continue advancing plans near Buckeye Canyon. Staff will work on cost estimates and the final placement to be unveiled July 28

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND REORGANIZATION

- Events (Becker, Salmon) – none
- Education and Outreach (**Rogers**, Walker) – upcoming meeting date to be scheduled for July library display and additional outreach
- Climate Action Planning (Atapattu, Walker) – Becker removed
- Open Space Plan update (Nunan, Rogers, **Salmon**) – none
- *Crocker Trail Frog Habitat (Nunan, **Rogers**) – Salmon removed

- Tree Subcommittee Meeting (Carney, Rogers, **Salmon**) – Carney added. Meeting to be scheduled
- Liaisons (Rogers, **Walker**) – none
- PCA Grant (**Becker**, Salmon) – none
- Dark Skies – none
- Invasive Species (Carney) – Carney added.
- Sierra Point Park Planning (Rogers) – none
- Baylands FEIR/SP Comments (Becker, Carney, **Walker**) – Newly formed ad hoc subcommittee. Staff to distribute: prior chapter assignments, relevant page references, and response-to-comment sections
- Shoreline Restoration (Carney, Nunan, Salmon) – Newly formed ad hoc subcommittee

CALENDAR ITEMS – Habitat Restoration Day, as discussed. Upcoming Compost Giveaway Day June 2. Acres vegetation management presentation postponed to July due to Baylands workload.

CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBER MATTERS – none

NEXT MEETING: June 17, 2026

ADJOURN – 8:47 PM