

# Hollywood Sustainability Advisory Committee

## Annual Report 2021

Wendy Schugar-Martin – Chair

Elaine Franklin – Staff Liaison

Peter Bieniek – Staff Liaison

### Accomplishments & Recommendations

- Federal Climate Change Bill – Recommended that the Commission urge the U.S. Congress to take prompt action to address climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuels.
- Sustainability Communications – Requested that the Commission seek the Committee's expertise for consideration before voting on items like R-2021-071.
- City-Wide Ban on Plastic Straws and Utensils – Recommended that the City Commission pass an ordinance banning plastic straws, while providing an exemption for persons with disabilities, and plastic utensils city-wide.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Environmental Education Forum – *Waste Management Strategies in Broward: Ending incineration* featured Mike Ewall, founder and director of the Energy Justice Network, discussed health and environmental risks of waste-to-energy.
- Earth Day Beach Cleanup – Hosted a cleanup on Hollywood Beach in April for over 100 volunteers that highlighted the City's new litter bucket stations and collected 130lbs of material.
- Fall Environmental Education Event – *Seaweedology: How seaweed, other organisms and you can protect Hollywood Beach* was presented by guest speaker Jessica Ward, Broward County's Marine Resources Manager.

### Mission

To support the City of Hollywood and local businesses to embrace and implement sustainable practices and habits. Together we offer advice to City leaders on development of programs to enhance the environment and lead our community in sustainable development.

### Goals for 2022

- Make recommendations to the Commission and support resolutions and ordinances that increase sustainability and resiliency in the City of Hollywood.
- Conduct a touchless rain barrel giveaway in January.
- Hold an environmental education event in March on gardening for wildlife.
- Organize an Earth Day and Arbor Day event for the public in April.
- Hold an environmental education event in the fall.

### Items in Process

- Presentation to the Commission on the Committee's accomplishments and priorities.
- Preparing to hold a touchless giveaway of 8 rain barrels to Hollywood residents in January. Rain barrels are provided by the Hollywood Water Treatment Plant and the NFL Sisters in Service. The activity will be conducted in concert with NFL Sisters in Service – originally planned for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day in April 2020.

- Promoting an educational webinar on rain barrels to precede the rain barrel giveaway, which is in partnership with the Broward Extension.
- Recommendation on materials to provide for visitors to the dog beach to use when cleaning up after their pets that are environmentally friendly and support the City's effort to avoid plastics on Hollywood Beach.
- Connecting with other municipal Sustainability Advisory Committees and Boards to gather support for prohibiting the release of genetically modified mosquitoes in the region.

### **Issues**

COVID-19 continued to impact whether meetings would be held virtually or in-person since the situation changed multiple times throughout the year. This affected quorum, which in turn affected the Committee's ability to take action and accomplish its goals. Meetings were held virtually every month except for July when it was held in-person.

### Environmental Education Forum Recordings

2021: Waste Management Strategies in Broward: Ending incineration. [VIDEO](#)

<https://cohfl.webex.com/recordingservice/sites/cohfl/recording/753790ce9b574ad5a440db7f8db8752d/playback>

2020: Community Workshop on Climate Legislation. [VIDEO](#)

[https://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\\_id=2&clip\\_id=963](https://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=963)

2019: Broward County's Regional Resilience Standards and Proposed Minimum Seawall Height Policy. [VIDEO](#)

[http://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\\_id=2&clip\\_id=863](http://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=863)

2018: Our Environmental Future: Borrowing from our future generations - Views from Today's Young Leaders. [VIDEO](#)

<https://youtu.be/FmXQZ1DDZM0>

2017: A Bipartisan View: Moving environmental issues forward in the current political climate. [VIDEO](#)

[http://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\\_id=2&clip\\_id=674](http://hollywoodfl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=674)

**SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE 2021**

MEMBER	Cat	Term	1/28/2021	2/25/2021	3/25/2021	4/22/2020	5/27/2021	6/24/2021	7/22/2021	8/26/2021	9/23/2021	10/28/2021	11/25/2021	12/7/2021
Rebecca Adler	cw	2024										P	No Mtg	A
Stephanie Anderson	cw	2024	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	A	P	P		A
Joanna Berens	cw	2024										P		P
Vyacheslav Cherkasov	cw	2024										P	No Mtg	A
Dale Cheek	cw	2021	P	P	A	P	A	A						
Todd Delmay	cw	2024	P	A	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P		P
Sylvia Meyer	cw	2021	P	P	P	P	P	P					No Mtg	
Graham Penn	basf	2021	P	P	A	A	A	A						
Julia Poliadis	cw	2024							P	P	P	P		P
Grahm Rubin	cw	2021	P	A	A	A	A	P					No Mtg	
Wendy Schugar-Martin	bs	2022	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Catherine Uden	cw	2022	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Jade Vinet	alt	2023	P	P	P	P	A	A	A	P	P	P	No Mtg	P
Stephen Wechsler	cw	2024										P		P

**Legend**

**Category**

- bs Business Member (2)
- cw City Wide Member (8)
- basf Builders Association of South Florida Member (1)
- alt Alternate (1)

**Attendance**

- A Absent
- P Present