

**ENVIRONMENTAL TASK FORCE MEETING AGENDA &  
ENERGY UPGRADE CALIFORNIA WORKSHOP**

**April 19, 2012                      5:30 P.M.**

Police and Fire Community Facility  
420 15th Street Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (5 minutes)
3. ENVIRONMENTAL TASK FORCE: final update on projects (20 minutes)
  - a. Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy:
    - i. **Residential energy conservation program**  
“Watt” Watchers program has closed and winners will be announced at Earth Day Festival in Polliwog Park on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. The ETF will reward the household with the most energy conservation over a 3-month period
    - ii. **Green business challenge**  
A free program for local businesses to monitor and implement sustainable business practices; Waste Management is leading the program and will award the first participating businesses certificates at the Earth Day festival
    - iii. **Solar display in Metlox Plaza**  
A Request for Proposals has been released for a solar vendor to install an educational solar display to raise awareness on the use of renewable energy at Metlox Plaza. Funds are being raised and City Council will be asked to award the contract in May
  - b. Water Conservation and Sustainable Landscaping:
    - i. **Landscape Sustainability checkup**  
Update on the free landscape audits to the community offered by vetted landscapers
    - ii. **Community mulch pilot program**  
Update on free mulch available to the community at the Public Works Yard, 3621 Bell Avenue and recommendation to continue the program
    - iii. **Post Office Demonstration garden**  
Status on the LMB renovation of existing landscape implementing the principles of sustainable landscape, project funding and final landscape design
4. Environmental Programs – Next Steps: (40 minutes) Discussion on current environmental programs and items the committee recommends for future consideration
  - a. California Green Communities: An overview of the CA Green Communities program as a way to structure future environmental initiatives. CA Green is a recognition program that fosters innovative ways for participating cities to reduce carbon emissions and energy consumption while building vibrant, sustainable communities
5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (15 minutes)
6. ADJOURNMENT: A status report on Environmental Task Force accomplishments will be presented to City Council in June, 2012. Future meeting information will be posted on the City’s webpage at [www.citymb.info](http://www.citymb.info).