

Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER
6650 Beach Boulevard
Buena Park, CA 90621

**CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

1. GENERAL

- 1.A. CALL TO ORDER
- 1.B. ROLL CALL : James, Bendinelli, Schooner, Singhal, Figueroa
- 1.C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.A. Approval of Meeting Minutes - June 2, 2026 and July 21, 2026

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

- 5.A. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY EVENTS

6. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATION ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 6.A. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATION ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

- 7.A. Adjournment

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Elizabeth Genera
City of Buena Park
Public Works

Date Posted: July 30, 2026



City of Buena Park

Climate Action Commission Agenda Report

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes - June 2, 2026 and July 21, 2026

Meeting	Agenda Group
Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 6:00 PM	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Item: 3A.
Prepared By	Department Head Approval
Elizabeth Genera	Mina Mikhael, Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Presented By	
Elizabeth Genera	

Attachments

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City of Buena Park

MINUTES CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION MEETING June 2, 2026

1A. CALL TO ORDER

The Climate Action Commission met on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, CA.

1B. ROLL CALL PRESENT: Schooner, Singhal, James
ABSENT: Figueroa, Bendinelli
STAFF: Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager
Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

1C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. COMMUNICATIONS

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2A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 5, 2026

****M/S/P – Singhal/Schooner**

4. OLD BUSINESS – No items.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BEAT AND BRENNER PARKS

On March 10, 2026, City Council directed staff to bring the conceptual designs of parks to the Climate Action Commission for environmental review:

On August 26, 2025, the City sent out a Project Request for Proposals for the development of parks in Buena Park including Carl Brenner Park and John Beat Park concept development. The improvements will be funding through City funds and Measure R state funding. In November 2024, Buena Park voters approved Measure R, a one-cent (1¢) local transactions and use tax (local sales tax). Measure R will generate approximately \$20 million each year in local revenue that is critical to funding general municipal services.

The project proposals for Brenner and Beat Parks was awarded on October 14, 2025. RJM's scope of work includes: Site analysis, project website and social media branding, community outreach (workshops, flyers, meetings), conceptual design and cost estimate, and a City Council presentation. The Commission viewed slides of parks vicinity map, location map, existing conditions, conceptual plans, precedent imagery and renderings and community outreach results.

CARL BRENNER PARK

Brenner Park is located at Ridgeway Dr. and Sheridan Way. The park is roughly 4.5 acres, it is adjacent to residential and the 91 Freeway. The current features are turf, shade trees, walking path, seating, playground, basketball courts, community building with restroom, wading pool, and drinking fountain.

The Commission reviewed the parks existing conditions, opportunities and constraints. The community outreach included 2 pop-up workshops (approximately 75 participants), 65 surveys, 114 feedback comments, feedback via surveys, boards, and project website.

The Community outreach feedback results showed the park amenities and improvements requested:

- Safety and Security
- Playground Improvements and Modernization – Playground equipment *Farm House* theme
- Pickleball Courts
- Shade and Tree Canopy
- Dog Park / Dog Amenities
- Walking Paths and Circulation Loops
- Restroom and Facility Upgrades
- Sports Court Improvements
- Lighting Improvements
- Picnic, Gathering, and Community Spaces

The estimated cost for the park renovation improvements is \$11,470, 564.00.

JOHN BEAT PARK

Beat Park is located off Mt. Lowe Dr. and Mt. Shasta Circle. The park is roughly 2 acres, it is adjacent to residential, Carbon Creek Channel, and OC Transit Authority. The current park features are turf, shade trees, walking path, seating, playground, basketball court, restroom, and drinking fountain.

The Community outreach feedback results showed the park amenities and improvements requested:

- Security, and Drug / Homeless Concerns
- Lighting Improvements
- Playground Improvements / Expansion – Playground equipment *First Responder* theme
- Shade
- Restroom Hours, and Renovation
- Sports & Active Recreation Facilities
- Walking Paths, Trails, and Sidewalk Connectivity
- Dog Amenities
- Park Modernization & Amenity Upgrades
- Fitness & Exercise Amenities

The estimated cost for the park renovation improvements is \$7,097,161.00.

6. CITY/STAFF UPDATES, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Lotus Thai reported she will schedule a Commission tour of the Anaheim Sustainability Education Center in July; there will not be a commission meeting on July 7. City Council approved funds to purchase Sustain buddies plush toys for community events.

The Planning Commission will review the suggested changes to the City's landscaping ordinance at the June 24 meeting.

Lotus to present three grants to the City Council on June 9, 2026. Grant funds to cover cost to plan a sustainability education center, a shuttle system for Beach Blvd., and a decarbonization engagement / education program. Also, a grant to fund Coyote Park and EV chargers at City Hall and Public Works Yard.

Upcoming events: Neighborhood Action Day on June 27 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers to meet at the corner of Franklin and Rostrada. The event will include tree planting, trash pickup, repainting of fire lanes, and a bulky item drop off. This event is led by Mayor Traut and Councilmember Franco, Commission members are invited to volunteer.

LumiPalooza, our big energy event on Wednesday, July 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Boisseranc Park. Commissioners are welcome to volunteer from 3 to 9 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on August 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

Climate Action Commission Chair



City of Buena Park

MINUTES CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING JULY 21, 2026

1A. CALL TO ORDER

The Climate Action Commission met on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, CA.

1B. ROLL CALL **PRESENT:** James, Singhal, Schooner, Bendinelli
 STAFF: Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager

1C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. COMMUNICATIONS

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2A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

3. NEW BUSINESS

3A. ANAHEIM SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION CENTER TOUR

Commissioners James, Singhal, Schooner and Bendinelli were in attendance along with staff Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager and PW Engineering staff members. Staff and Commissioners toured the Anaheim Sustainability Center arriving at 4:00 p.m. They were given a tour of the facility from Anaheim's Public Utilities team and learned how the center is used for field trips, workshops and workforce development opportunities. The tour and meeting concluded at 5:05 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on August 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

Climate Action Commission Chair



A. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY EVENTS

Meeting	Agenda Group
Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 6:00 PM	NEW BUSINESS Item: 5A.
Prepared By	Department Head Approval
Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager	Matt Foulkes, Director of Community & Economic Development
Presented By	
Lotus Thai, Sustainability Manager	

Over the past two years, the Climate Action Commission, in partnership with the Office of Sustainability and Public Works, has hosted several community events to promote sustainability, environmental stewardship, and community engagement.

- Train Day (February, one-time event)
- Sustainability Fair (April)
- Declutter (e-waste, paper shredding, etc.) and Compost/Mulch Event (April and November)
- Arbor Day (April/May)
- Neighborhood Action Day (June, one-time event)
- LumiPalooza (July)

Staff is seeking feedback from the Climate Action Commission regarding the City's sustainability events, including opportunities to refine the event calendar, enhance future programming, and identify new outreach opportunities. Staff would like to also debrief and discuss the two most recent events: Neighborhood Action Day and LumiPalooza.