

# MEETING NOTES

## PASADENA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

[www.pasadenacac.org](http://www.pasadenacac.org)

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

### Revive! Church

The 297<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pasadena Citizens' Advisory Council (PCAC) was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at the Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. Facilitator Diane Sheridan reviewed the agenda, which was accepted as proposed. The meeting notes from January 24, 2023 were approved without change.

#### ATTENDEES *italicized*

##### **PCAC Members**

Andrew Aleman, City of Pasadena OEM  
Jed Aplaca, City of Pasadena Parks and Rec.  
*Ruth Askine*  
Diane Barnes, CTHS  
Raul Camarillo, Harris Co. Pct. 2  
*Emilio Carmona*  
Azell Carter, City of Pasadena OEM  
*Monica De La Portilla*  
*Tammy De Los Santos, City of Pasadena Parks and Rec.*  
*Albert Gonzales*  
*Rick Guerrero, Pasadena Economic Development Corp.*  
Mike Jackson  
Chad Carson, Economic Alliance  
Houston Port Region  
Luz Locke  
Loretta McCarthy  
Lupita Monreal, City of Pasadena  
Neighborhood Network  
Ellis Orozco  
Ernesto Paredes

Margie Pena, Baker Ripley  
Brenda Pritchard, City of Pasadena  
Neighborhood Network  
Dominick Rezza  
Giovanna Searcy  
Richard Sims  
Sue Sims  
Joe Valdivia  
*Christian Rocha, Chamber of Commerce*  
Jack Womack

##### **Support**

Diane Sheridan, Facilitator

##### **Observers or Resources**

*Vanessa Ayala*  
*Blanca Blanco, East End Alliance*  
*Jerry Caraviotis, HCPCS*  
John Collins  
Matthew Giles, State Rep. Mary Ann Perez  
*Diane Olmos- Guzman*  
Ninfa Herrera

*Kenya Melendez, State Rep. Mary Ann Perez*  
Mary Jane Mudd, EHCMA  
*George Perrett*  
*Caitlyn Ramirez, State Rep. Mary Ann Perez*  
Edward Rios  
*Sharlissa Truett-Willis, TCEQ*  
*David Wade, HCOHSEM*  
Willie Wells, Houston Business Roundtable  
*Blake White, HCOHSEM*  
*Hubert Winters, American Legion*  
*Steve Zach, Pasadena Public Library*

##### **CAC Plant Members**

*Afton Chemical, Maryam Shekari for Hari Sundaram,*  
*Air Products, Brian Farhadi*  
*Albemarle, Kevin Paul for Lisa Fruge*  
*BASF, Mike McGee for Abe Ahmed*  
*Chevron Pasadena Refinery, Jennifer Silva for Matt Postage, Nathan Kangas*

*Chevron Phillips, Andy Woods,*  
*Enterprise Products, Karla Arriaga,*  
*Ethyl, Maryam Shekari for Antonio Salinas*  
*Evonik, Nathan Locklar*  
*Gulf Coast Authority, Denise Ehrlich*  
*INEOS Phenol, Chris Spletter for Amy Narvaez*  
Intercontinental Terminals, \_\_\_ for David Wascome  
*Kinder Morgan Pasadena Terminal,*  
*Robert Hammons, Scott Eady*  
*KM Export Terminal, Scott Eady for Mike Dugger*  
*LyondellBasell Refinery, Clint Titzman*  
*Next Wave Energy, Shane Presley,*  
*David Muscat*  
*OxyChem, Scott Halbrooks, Brandon Pearson, Liliana Sarpong*  
*Sekisui, Jeff Thompson, Scott Stephens*

## STATE OF THE PLANTS REPORTS

See reports on Member page of [www.pasadenacac.org](http://www.pasadenacac.org)

Asked to report their 2022 achievements and their 2023 goals and plans, all 18 Pasadena Citizens' Advisory Council (PCAC) plants shared their assessments. Originally planned for the January 24 meeting, the report was postponed when PCAC discussed the tornado that hit the city several hours before that meeting. The reports have been posted on the Member page of the PCAC website.

### Input from Small Group Discussion

#### Anything good to hear?

- Community involvement

- Safety improvements
- Good safety performance in area
- Albemarle 3 year no recordables, community outreach
- Air Products new plant, Mont Belvieu
- Chevron Phillips 6 ½ year no process safety event, community outreach, Pasadena fire department
- Evonik diversity events, daily facility inspection, no recordables
- Trash Bash
- INEOS Com. Schools
- Lyondell Refinery 1<sup>st</sup> year no recordable in 100+ years
- Next Wave 4000 hours of emergency response training in new plant
- OxyChem VPP 1<sup>st</sup> plant, more drills for new employees, capital improvement, zero environmental
- Chevron Refinery decommission unreliable unit, com. Events, in for long run
- Kinder Morgan – pipeline 20.4% of all Gulf Coast, 1000 employees, family events, reduce CO2 emissions/add 5 vapor recovery units

#### **Anything of concern?**

- Employee retention (3 groups)
- Little company value
- Still have noise (Sekisui over 85 D monitor)

#### **Anything you want to know more about?**

- Emissions and recordables
- There was not as much mental health discussion and community outreach to improve. Suicide watch, fentanyl, substance abuse, etc.
- AI ergonomics tool

#### *Suggestions for Plants Seeking More Community Outreach*

A number of plants said one of their goals for 2023 was to increase their involvement in the community. Community members made suggestions of involvement opportunities on the worksheets. Sheridan will compile these and additional suggestions and send them to plants.

- Adopt a school in PISD – elementary (pen pals, school supplies for needy families, campus visits to encourage STEM for students)
- Food drive to benefit Pasadena Community Ministries. Their food pantry and clothing department for low income families
- All volunteer organization on Queens Road and South Houston
- City of Pasadena Parks and Recreation Department has endless opportunities for partnerships. Contact PCAC member Tammie de Los Santos at 713-948-0322 or [Tdelossantos@pasadenatx.gov](mailto:Tdelossantos@pasadenatx.gov)
- Workforce development – Chamber of Commerce is focusing on this and has a committee to assist with initiatives. Contact Christian Rocha at [christian@pasadenachamber.org](mailto:christian@pasadenachamber.org)

# HOST PLANT INTRODUCTION: Enterprise Products

Plant manager Karla Arriaga said the Enterprise Products High Purity Isobutylene Plant (HPIB) and Terminal brings feedstock into the plant to make HPIB and loads it into pipelines, rail, truck, or barge where it is goes to customers. It eventually is made into familiar products such as lubricant and motor oil additives, butyl rubber used in tires, and high octane gasoline blend.

## PLANT UPDATE SUMMARY

The Update Summary was mailed to attendees shortly before the meeting and mailed to all members the day afterward. Direct questions to Diane Sheridan facilitator, [dbsfacilitator@gmail.com](mailto:dbsfacilitator@gmail.com), 281-326-5253 or raise questions at the next meeting.

### In a Nutshell:

- Updates were received from 18 of 18 plants
- **2** had reportable environmental incidents
- **2** had OSHA recordable injuries
- **14** had neither environmental nor safety incidents

### 16 plants had no environmental incidents:

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|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Afton Chemicals     | 8. Evonik                         | Terminal                            |
| 2. Air Products        | 9. Gulf Coast Authority           | 14. LyondellBasell Houston Refinery |
| 3. Albemarle           | 10. INEOS Phenol                  | 15. Next Wave Energy Partners       |
| 4. BASF                | 11. Intercontinental Terminals    | 16. Sekisui                         |
| 5. Chevron Phillips    | 12. Kinder Morgan Export Terminal |                                     |
| 6. Enterprise Products | 13. Kinder Morgan Liquids         |                                     |
| 7. Ethyl               |                                   |                                     |

### 14 plants had no safety incidents:

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| 1. Afton Chemicals           | 8. Ethyl                          | 13. Kinder Morgan Liquids     |
| 2. Air Products              | 9. Evonik                         | Terminal                      |
| 3. Albemarle                 | 10. INEOS Phenol                  | 14. Next Wave Energy Partners |
| 4. BASF                      | 11. Intercontinental Terminals    | 15. Oxy Vinyls                |
| 5. Chevron Pasadena Refinery | 12. Kinder Morgan Export Terminal | 16. Sekisui                   |
| 6. Chevron Phillips          |                                   |                               |
| 7. Enterprise Products       |                                   |                               |

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hubert Winters, Commander of American Legion Post 521, welcomes industry and community

support for a victory garden on Post 521 property that will benefit veterans first, then other community members who would like to plant and tend a garden plot there. PCAC members Raul Camarillo and Emilio Carmona are also part of the project team. For details about how to support, contact Winters at 713-472-4255 or [adjutant521@hotmail.com](mailto:adjutant521@hotmail.com).

PCAC member Christian Rocha said the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce is lobbying for industry on matters including carbon capture. The chamber welcomes plant reps to take part in their Government Relations team. Rocha also recognized the former Industries of the Year in PCAC and said this year's honoree is Kaneka. (NOTE: Kaneka is in BAYCAP.) For details, contact Rocha at 281-487-7871 or [christian@pasadenachamber.org](mailto:christian@pasadenachamber.org).

PCAC member Albert Gonzales, a community representative on TCEQ's Galveston Bay Estuary Program (GBEP) Galveston Bay Council for 20+ years, said the council is receiving funds over a 5-year period from the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Act. Upcoming projects recently approved by the council may be found at [www.gbep.texas.gov](http://www.gbep.texas.gov). GBEP's purpose is "to provide comprehensive ecosystem management through collaborative partnerships and to ensure the preservation of Galveston Bay's multiple uses." Sheridan said Ana Partin of INEOS Phenol serves on the council as an EHCMA representative. Gulf Coast Authority is also a member.

## FUTURE PCAC MEETINGS

Dinner available at 5:30 pm. Meetings are from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

**Tuesday, March 28, 2023 – Annual Report on Worker Safety -- Revive Church**

**Tuesday, April 25, 2023 – In-Person Tour of City of Pasadena Emergency Operations Center (EOC)**

- Attendees will gather at 5:30 at the city's EOC for an overview of emergency management and communications. It will begin over dinner and be followed by a tour and discussion of what happens, step by step, when an incident at a Pasadena plant is reported to the city, public action is needed, and the city activates its community warning systems.
- Details about location, parking, and directions will be provided in the agenda.

## DATES FOR 2023----- All 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays!

Tues. Feb. 28  
Tues. Mar. 28  
Tues. Apr. 25

Tues. May 23  
No June or July meetings  
Tues. Aug. 22  
Tues. Sept. 26

Tues. Oct. 24  
Tues. Nov. 28  
No December meeting