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Subject: Public Comment for Environmental Advisory Commission Meeting on October 13, 2020 on Agenda Item Leaf Blowers (two-Stroke engines)
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 3:48:49 PM

Public Comment for Environmental Advisory Commission Meeting on October 13, 2020 about agenda item Leaf Blowers (two-Stroke engines)

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Meeting Date October 13, 2020

Agenda Item Leaf Blowers (two-Stroke engines)

Name Cathleen Rogde

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Comments (under 200 words) With the drought plus dried out lawns and California native landscapes, gardeners using leaf blowers are blowing clouds of dust into surrounding yards and on vehicles parked and passing by, resulting in dust on plants and vehicles of surrounding properties which not only leads to higher water usage requiring dust to be washed off leaves on plants and vehicles, but animosity

towards neighbors who usually don't realize their gardeners are doing this to their neighbors. The gardeners often blow dust and leaves into the street and adjoining properties affecting those with asthma, emphysema, allergies and other breathing difficulties. How many drive down the streets throughout the city with a newly washed car, only to have a cloud of dust blow or drift onto it? It's very frustrating!

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Agenda Item Gas powered landscape equipment

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Comments (under 200 words) Leaf blowers are really ear splitting, to the point that I must put something in my ears to protect my hearing. I believe if I don't do that, the noise will damage my hearing. The leaf blowers are a nuisance. The landscapers should use a broom. The blowers, at a minimum, should be much quieter. I noticed that the gardener had ear plugs in his ears, while he was using the leaf

blower. So, you can imagine how loud it is. He does that to protect his hearing, What about our hearing? The leaf blower comes very close to my windows. Even when they are closed, they don't do much to mitigate the loud noise. It is very painful! It needs to change. It is not fair to the residents of Pasadena. Supposedly, the leaf blower has to meet certain decibel levels. If that is so, the levels need to change. The allowable levels are way too high! Either that, or the people using them are not getting them screened for decibel levels. Maybe, they used a different leaf blower when it was evaluated. I have no idea. Please, help Pasadena residents in regards to this matter. Thank you.

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Subject: Public Comment for Environmental Advisory Commission Meeting on October 13, 2020 on Agenda Item LANDSCAPE EQUIPMENT
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Comments (under 200 words) I object to the use of leaf blowers in Pasadena. I walk around town daily and I am regularly harassed by the use of leaf blowers as standard lawn care equipment. Leaf blowers create particulate pollution by blowing dust around, which creates a health hazard. They create noise pollution in the process. I work from home and it is difficult to hold online meetings without the regular interruption of lawn care equipment, forcing me to interrupt a

meeting to shut doors and windows. This equipment also uses fossil fuels, which is undesirable. Additionally, the daily subjection to high decibels and emissions are hazardous to the health of lawn care workers. I have never understood the rationale of equipment that blows yard waste around, rather than bagging and containing it. I support a ban on leaf blowers for the City of Pasadena.

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Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 7:52:36 PM

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Agenda Item Gas Powered Landscape Equipment

Name Jessamy Gloor

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Comments (under 200 words) It is past time to address the environmental problem of gas-powered landscape equipment. While we will all reap the benefits of phasing out this equipment, the burden of this change will be disproportionately placed on the small and family businesses who rely on this equipment for their livelihoods. A robust program must be instated to financially assist these micro-businesses in switching away from gas-powered landscape equipment. Thank you!

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Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 9:18:39 AM

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Name Suzy Dalrymple

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Comments I've thought a lot about the use of leaf blowers in our neighborhood for some
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words) I don't believe that leaf blowers are being used as intended by their name. They're also used to push dust and tiny debris into a pile. The filthy dust that's transmitted into the air is ignored by most because of the convenience of keeping they're cement clean. I don't believe it unreasonable to hose down a driveway once a month to prevent the noise and air pollution that we must endure from the leaf blowers. In fact, water is used to keep the dust down during the Hahamongna dirt collection, street cleanings and most large

construction sites.

I understand that the gardeners must make a living and keep as many clients as possible in order to make ends meet, but I would gladly pay 50% more each month if they would use rakes and keep the dust on the ground.

Thank you,
Suzy Dalrymple

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Agenda Item Gas powered leaf blowers, lawnmowers

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Comments (under 200 words) As a resident in the San Gabriel Valley, and doing Business in Pasadena over 20 years, I am proud to support the director of this committee as a user of all electric land care equipment. Our collective behavior on reducing carbon emissions is vital and transitioning to all electric lawnmower, leaf blower, other equipment through a resolution will help in this mission.

One organization that provides a free demo for residents is South-WestGreen.Com for those interested. Providing “Community Based Clean Air Ambassadors” will help in these efforts

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Comments (under 200 words) It is the position of Non Toxic Communities that gas powered landscaping equipment poses an unacceptable risk to our communities due to toxic emissions and noise. The pollution generated by gas equipment contributes to climate change and degrades our air quality. The particulate matter generated by these engines is linked to serious health harms like preterm births,

respiratory illness, lung cancer and heart disease . Even a small increase in this type of pollution can have a large impact on the population level. We support municipal restrictions on gas powered equipment to protect the environment, worker health and the public.

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Agenda Item Gas Powered Landscape Equipment

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Comments (under 200 words) Electric powered landscape equipment (EPL) is the new standard of care for our communities and is far less polluting and damaging to the well being of workers. EPL is associated with a higher standard and reflects in positive property values over time as residents enjoy less noise and toxic emissions from the out dated gas equipment. EPL is an investment in the future and in

quality of life for all.

Now is a great time to make change happen and our non-profit enthusiastically endorses your choice to move forward with EPLE and looks forward to the other cities that will follow Pasadena's great example!

-Rachel Linden, Executive Director
Green Lifestyles Network

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