



CITY of CALABASAS

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: NOVEMBER 30, 2023

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: TRA'A BEZDECNY, ASSISTANT ENGINEER

SUBJECT: VOTE ON ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 5, 2023

BACKGROUND:

The Carl Gibbs Environmental Excellence Award is a symbol of commitment to California's environment. The Award honors a wide array of individuals, businesses, municipalities, government agencies, organizations, institutions, all working to benefit our environment. The Award recognizes voluntary activities by companies and organizations, big or small, private or non-profit, for their environmental activities in the City of Calabasas and in surrounding communities that results in cleaner air or water, less waste, less traffic, conservation of energy and natural resources, efficient and water conserving landscaping, or reduced use of hazardous materials, etc. Furthermore, the Award honors those individuals or organizations that demonstrate exceptional commitment to the environment or innovation above and beyond their primary mission.

DISCUSSION:

Nominations for the Award were submitted by members of the community for consideration by the Commission. The Commission may select multiple recipients for the award and will consider the following for each candidate:

- Measurable improvements to environmental quality

- Ongoing or long-term environmental benefits
- Creativity and innovation in technology or approach
- Model achievements
- Demonstrating a solid commitment to protecting the environment
- Involving employees, governmental officials and/or community members in an environmental project
- Showing a commitment to the public's best interests
- Reaching out in an effective manner to stakeholders
- Taking definitive steps to prevent pollution
- Minimizing costs or demonstrating a payback on investments

This Year's Nominees are:

- A Student Battery Recycling Company
- Chef Tal Ronnen

FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Funding for activities such as the Carl Gibbs Award comes from multiple sources including General Fund, Measure M, Measure W, and Prop 1. Staff is continually researching new funding opportunities for upcoming projects.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Staff requests Commissioners review the applications and approve the candidate(s) to receive the award.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Submitted Nominations