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TO: Open Space and Ecology Committee

Parks and Recreation Commission

**Planning Commission** 

FROM: Baylands Sustainability Committee (CMs Lentz and Miller, OSEC member

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## **SUBJECT: Draft Baylands Sustainability Framework**

The citizens of Brisbane have widely expressed the importance of sustainability and its application to the Brisbane Baylands project. In response, the City Council formed a Baylands Sustainability Committee to prepare the attached Draft Baylands Sustainability Framework, which is organized around the ten One Planet Living principles developed by BioRegional. This Framework represents an update to the Sustainability Goals for the Baylands which was previously provided to your Committee/Commission in 2012. Major changes from the previous version include the addition of key performance indicators and implementation approach.

The purpose of the Sustainability Framework is to identify key sustainability principles to be addressed in future Baylands development and create an approach to implement these principles. The principles, key performance indicators and implementation approaches in the Framework are aspirational and are not intended as mandatory requirements for any future Baylands project. This document will continually evolve over the course of the Baylands project to reflect new information, new funding mechanisms, new policies and technologies, and improvements to the project design. Thus it is termed a "living document."

The Committee's goal is for the Framework to inform the City's decisionmaking process for the Baylands, which is anticipated to commence later this year. The City Council will be holding a workshop on June 15, 2015 to discuss the draft Framework. The Committee requests your collective comments and feedback on the draft Sustainability Framework from the perspective of your respective Commissions/Committee. In order for your input to be incorporated into the materials for the June 15 City Council workshop, we request your comments be submitted to City staff no later than June 3, 2105.

Thank you for your attention and effort in this important matter.