

MINUTES

Eugene Sustainability Commission
Saul Room — Atrium Building — 99 W. 10th Ave.
Eugene, Oregon

February 20, 2013
5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Kathi Jaworski, Dawn Lesley, Sue Wolling, Dave Funk, Alan Zelenka, Sarah Mazze, Howard Bonnett, Sasha Luftig, Shawn Boles, Rusty Rexius commissioners; Babe O'Sullivan, Matt McRae, Jenna McCulley and Alana Holmes, City Manager's Office.

ABSENT: Steve Newcomb

Ms. Jaworski called the February 20, 2013, meeting of the Sustainability Commission to order.

1. Opening – agenda review, approval of minutes

Ms. Jaworski called for corrections or clarifications to the January 16, 2013 minutes.

Ms. Luftig, seconded by Ms. Wolling, moved to approve the January 16, 2013 minutes as submitted. The motion passed, 10:0.

2. Public comment

None

3. Sub-committee reports

The 20 Minute Neighborhood sub-committee expects to bring a proposal forward on the S. Willamette project at the March commission meeting.

The Coordinated Land Use and Transportation Action Committee (CLUTAC) may have an action item to discuss at the March commission meeting.

4. City budget process

Babe O'Sullivan provided a briefing on legal restrictions regarding speaking about the city fee measure on the May 2013 ballot. Commissioners asked for further clarification about identifying themselves as commissioners in a public statement or written communiqué. Babe will ask for additional guidance from the City Attorney and share with the commission.

Dr. Boles asked whether a full TBL analysis has been conducted on the city FY 14 budget. Babe O'Sullivan will inquire with budget staff and get back to the commission.

5. Sweat-free purchasing policy

The sub-committee provided a draft memo to City Council and one to the Human Rights Commission (HRC) for discussion and approval.

Mr. Funk, seconded by Ms. Mazze, moved that the memo be revised as discussed and that it be directed to the City Manager, requesting that the Purchasing staff investigate a sweat-free purchasing policy and join the sweat-free consortium. The motion passed, 10:0

Ms. Luftig, seconded by Mr. Funk, moved that the commission carry this request forward to the Human Rights Commission, asking that they collaborate on a joint request to the City Manager. The motion passed, 10:0

Babe O'Sullivan was asked to speak with Steve Newcomb, the commission's liaison, about next steps in approaching the HRC. She will also send the draft memo to the commission as a word document for edits by the end of the week.

6. Sub-committee: carbon fee

The sub-committee provided a draft memo for discussion.

Dr. Boles asked whether state legislation has been introduced on carbon pricing? Babe O'Sullivan will check with the IGR manager Lisa Gardner and get back to the commission.

Ms. Mazze will share analyses of the British Columbia carbon tax with the commission.

Dr. Boles, seconded by Ms. Bloomfield, moved to approve constructing a resolution for Council consideration and bringing it back to the commission at the March meeting for approval. The motion passed, 9:1.

7. Sub-committee: ICAP

The sub-committee provided a draft letter to Council on the Internal Climate Action Plan for discussion and approval.

Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Ms. Wolling, moved to approve the letter with the changes discussed. Final review and approval will be done by email with comments due by March 1. The motion passed, 10:0.

8. BREAK

9. Unanticipated requests

Mr. Bonnett submitted a revised policy for fielding unanticipated work requests or additions to the commission's work plan.

Mr. Bonnett, seconded by Ms. Luftig, moved that the revised process as submitted be adopted. The motion passed, 8:0.

10. Items from commissioners and staff

Ms. Bloomfield announced the upcoming PIELC conference at the University of Oregon and encouraged commissioners to attend.

11. Closing: next meeting, other follow-up

The next commission meeting was scheduled for March 20, 2013.

Ms. Jaworski adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

(Recorded by Babe O'Sullivan)