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Meeting Minutes - Approved SUSTAINABLE MADISON COMMITTEE

Monday, October 30, 2017

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
City-County Building, Room 357

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair Shukla.

Staff present: Karl van Lith.

Present: 12 - David Ahrens; Denise DeMarb; Stacie A. Reece; Rajan V. Shukla; Michael J. Vickerman; Lance E. Green; Sam J. Breidenbach; Jesse J. Shields; Bradley Campbell; Jeannette E. LeZaks; Richard A. Heinemann and Samuel J. Dunaiski

Excused: 4 - Richard J. Pearson; Evelyn H. Atkinson; Maria A. Schletzbaum and Joseph M. Ryan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Green, seconded by Reece, to Approve the Minutes of October 30, 2017. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

1. [49251](#) Discussion about Developing an Environmental Impact Tool.

Ald. DeMarb, Reece, LeZaks and van Lith reported on discussions the group has had about the need for a city-wide tool to assess impacts on sustainability and the environment. Ald. DeMarb sees link to City's Strategic Management Initiative which will focus City efforts on reaching goals in 6 outcome areas through the lenses of racial equity and environmental sustainability. Ahrens and Green had questions on when would the tool be used-what would be the trigger. Shields said there needs to be a link to RESJ efforts as well. A small work team will meet and create an outline and recommendation to review with the full committee at the December meeting. A motion was made by Reece, seconded by LeZaks, to Discuss and continue. The motion passed by voice vote/other. Staff will add item to next agenda.

2. [49252](#) Update on Urban Forestry Task Force.

Katie Crawley (Mayor's Office) and Charlie Romines (Parks) updated the committee on the creation of the new Taskforce and its focus on promoting a vibrant, healthy and sustainable urban forest. The Taskforce will review research and best practices and develop recommendations for the Mayor and Council. Alder Ahrens is a member of the Taskforce and will keep us informed on progress and recommendations. [Action is: Discuss and continue].

UPDATES

3. Report by SEG regarding 100% Renewable Energy /Zero Net Carbon Goal.

Report by SEG regarding 100% Renewable Energy/Zero Net Carbon Goal: Mike Barnett of SEG presented an update to the committee. A kick-off public meeting was held last month and stakeholder insights were gathered on renewable energy /net zero carbon goals. Another meeting is scheduled for January to review initial policies and measures. A website has been created to gather additional insights and this will be open until November 17th.

4. Report by SMC regarding City's and MGE – MOU

**Report by SMC regarding City's and MG&E -MOU
Shukla reported that there is a meeting next Thursday to establish timelines for getting the plan together. Ald. Demarb said she hopes the MOU would give people a platform for working with MG&E on issues. Shukla will keep SMC updated on progress.**

PRESENTATIONS

5. [49374](#) Presentation by CLEAN (Campus Leaders for Energy Action Now)

Anna Weinberg and Carly Winner presented on efforts being conducted by UW students in a coalition of campus leaders in sustainability efforts. Their focus is on getting UW to use 100% clean (renewable) energy by 2030. They are pulling together multiple campus groups, organizations and people interested in sustainability within the community and working with the UW Sustainability Office to provide a unified message on clean energy. They hope these groups influence the UW to take action. Ald. DeMarb suggested they work with SEG/Navigent and SMC on these issues. In 2017, they will focus on structuring the groups to help build continuity of the effort over the next few years. Multiple SMC members expressed positive support to CLEAN for their efforts and thanked the two presenters for their work. SMC would like to invite them back in the spring to hear an update.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Shields, seconded by Green, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.