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Meeting Minutes SUSTAINABLE MADISON COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Monday, February 22, 2021

4:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 PM by Chair LeZaks.

Present: 13 - Syed Abbas; Tag Evers; Heather M. Driscoll; Jessica M. LeClair; Lance E. Green; Jesse J. Shields; Casey L. Hanson; Denise DeMarb; Jeannette E. LeZaks; Matthew W. Braunginn; Samuel J. Dunaiski; Sujata Gautam and Max Prestigiacomio

Absent: 2 - Nada A. Elmikashfi and Richard J. Pearson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by DeMarb, seconded by Gautam to move the Approval of the Minutes of the January 2021 meeting to the March meeting.

The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Public Comment

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2. SUBSTITUTE - Accepting the Final Anaerobic Digester Feasibility Study from EcoEngineers

Bryan Johnson and Stacie Reece presented on the Final Anaerobic Digester Feasibility Study. DeMarb requested that the Resolution include direction for staff to develop a detailed next steps for implementation. Guatam requested that the Resolution also include a request to work with regional partners and stakeholders. DeMarb also requested staff work with Alders to finalize language.

A motion was made by DeMarb, seconded by Green to amend the resolution with an additional "FINALLY RESOLVED" to include city staff develop a detailed next steps for implementation and working with regional stakeholders. The motion to amend the Resolution passed by voice vote/other.

Suggested wording: NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Common Council recommend city staff develop a detailed report on next steps for implementation of an anaerobic digester for the greater Madison region in collaboration with regional partners and stakeholders.

A motion was made by Green, seconded by Shields, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Working Group Updates

Reece shared an update on the Zero Waste working group which will have its first meeting on 3/10/2021 at 3:00 PM.

DeMarb shared an update on the Sustainability Plan Update working group which met on 2/11/2021 where the group discussed partnering with NGO's and being prepared for federal stimulus funding. Updates given on the Affordable Housing chapter and the Carbon & Energy chapter. Updates on meetings with various stakeholders to inform the update: Madison College, Urban League, Jessica LeClair - public health.

Driscoll gave an update on the Environmental Justice working group which met on 1/28 & 2/18. At the 1/28 meeting, had guest speaker Tom Boswell with the Safe Skies Clean Water Coalition Member and discussion on the first draft of letter regarding PFAS. At the 2/18 meeting, discussed a draft letter asking for City actions to address the PFAS contamination issue. Final draft to be reviewed at the March meeting. Future work will focus on reaching out to

community partners and implementing means for the SMC to amplify their efforts on environmental justice issues.

4. Action Planning - Survey Follow Up

Presentation by LeZaks and LeClair on the Survey Results as well as the Work Plan outlined with input from January meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Green seconded by Dunaiski to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.