

Kansas City, MO Climate Protection Steering Committee (CPSC)
Online Meeting Via Microsoft Teams
February 27, 2023

CPSC Members Present: Robin Ganahl (Chair), Kristin Riott, Bo Moreno, Bill Griffith, Bridget Sanderson, Angela Crawford, Tom Grever.

Absent CPSC member:

Staff: Andy Savastino, Lara Isch, Marleny Flores, Regan Tokos– OEQ.

Other Attendees: Karen Uhlenhuth, Andrea McGary, Kimberly Winslow, Eric Luder, Dan Wilkus, Zac Sweets.

Introduction & Overview

Robin Ganahl opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a brief welcome; A quorum was present at that time.

Approval of January 23, 2022, Minutes

* Angela Crawford made a motion, seconded by Bill Griffith, to approve the minutes of the meeting on January 23, 2023. The motion passed.

Budget Discussion-

The committee was informed that while OEQ requested two more positions to help implement/ track the CPRP the request was not approved in the proposed budget. Dollars were put towards the LED street light conversion project. The City manager wants to focus on tree planting 10 thousand trees in the next couple of years. Rebuild KC grants, trash carts, bulky items, and recycling carts are all items you will find in the proposed budget for this fiscal year. The Equity office is expanding their office to have 4 positions fully funded.

Robin Ganahl referenced page 14 on the CPRP for the CPSC priorities.

*Robin Ganahl made a motion second by Kristin Riott send a letter to the Mayor and City council recommending funds for the two positions OEQ has requested, that they fund the 5 staff that were put forth as necessary to implement the 2021 IECC building efficiency code. Ask for a higher dollar amount of funding for complete streets vision zero. Recommending more funding for the urban forestry master plan.

Benchmarking-

Regan Tokos gave a quick overview of the Benchmarking program. See attached slideshow presentation.

OEQ Update-

Energy Code- Last week the house bill 580 did pass through the committee on Feb. 22, 2023 they voted to move it on.

City Hall Composting- Kellie Herman and Lara Isch are still working on details for that program.

KCI new terminal was declared LEED gold certified by the USGBC.

Benchmarking/ Energy Star- Have been talking to Brandon Iloilo about trying to certify more of our city facilities under the Energy Star program. In Resolution No. 181000 one of the requirements was to certify 90% of the eligible buildings that were 25000 ft. or larger. Our goal is to have 14 facilities certified under the Energy Star program.

Public Comment-

Karen Uhlenhuth- Asked what tools are used in the Benchmarking program to enhance the response of the building owners. Regan Tokos responded by explaining the Benchmarking procedure notices.

New Business- none

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.