



Environmental Management Commission
Meeting Minutes: August 10, 2022
Meeting Location: Online via Microsoft Teams

Commissioners present: Carol Adams (Chair), Nathan Madden, Marty Kraft, Caroline (Molly) Davies, Scott Klamm, Michael Kelley.

Commissioners Absent: Jensen Adams, Gloria Ortiz Fisher, Duvel (DJ) Pierre, Carol Macken.

Staff: Andy Savastino, Marleny Flores, Rachel O’Neal, Thalia Phillips, Consuella McCain– OEQ.

Guests: John Santner, Don Wallace, Jenn DeRose.

- A. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm; A quorum was present at that time. Chair Carol Adams welcomed commissioners, staff, and guests.
- B. Annual Report- Caroline (Molly) Davies reviewed and explained in detail by section the changes that were mentioned during the last EMC meeting.
Carol Adams suggested adding a cover letter explaining what the commission does and listing all commission members and their affiliation with the annual report.
*Michael Kelley made a motion, seconded by Caroline (Molly) Davies, to approve the annual report as drafted. The motion passed.
- C. Progress on deliberations regarding CPRP- Andy Savastino informed that there is a business session on Thursday, August 18th, 2022, at 2pm. On that same day in legislative session at 3pm a resolution to adopt the plan will be introduced to council. The Mayor will appoint it to a committee which would then show up the following week. The 24th is when the committee meetings are held. This resolution to adopt the plan will likely go to the Transportation Infrastructure and Operations committee to be heard. The Energy Code ordinance has been held by Councilman Bough until the 24th. There is a resolution that was proposed by councilman O’Neil on Balanced Energy which is from the natural gas company. A separate ordinance will be introduced on the rebate received from Renewable Direct. That is the power purchase agreement we have with Eberly for the wind farm. The wind farm provides energy to our facilities in the Missouri West territory. We have energy savings of about 1.4 million dollars. \$536,000 will come back to OEQ in the form of a rebate check. That will be used to help fund the first year of the Climate Plan assuming it passes.

Caroline (Molly) Davies asked if there is a closing date for Hawthorne plant: Andy Savastino stated the plan has wording that prefers 2025.

- D. Office of Environmental Quality Report - Andy Savastino
450 people have signed up for free assessments. We had a couple of meetings with private investors that own a large number of rental properties. We are in tier 5 pricing. We are trying to get the low moderate-income component off the program of the ground, which is called Share the

Sun. Once we launch that officially people will be able to donate or contribute towards a solar installation for a low- or moderate-income family. For low-income families, it's a 100% subsidy and for moderate income it's a 50% subsidy. We are still working on getting funding through the city.

Summary of Dates:

Introducing Climate Plan:

Business session August 18th, 2022 at 2pm

Legislation- August 18th, 2022

Go to Committee- August 24th, 2022

To testify on/ for:

Energy Code- August 24th, 2022, at 1:30pm

Balance Energy Resolution- August 24th, 2022, at 1:30pm

Climate Plan: August 24th, 2022, at 9am

Carol Adams suggested sending the commissioners a copy of the comments/ letters that the EMC has officially transmitted on these topics.

E. Liaison Report- see attached

F. Old Business- None.

G. New Business- Marty Kraft suggested the commission keeps informed on the 2023 Farm Bill. Scott Klamm suggested the commission keeps informed on the Inflation Reduction Act. Specifically referring to the pieces of the climate legislative attached to that. In which the city may be eligible for funding under those kinds of programs. Andy Savastino informed the committee that the city is contracting with two agencies that will help find grant dollars. OEQ will have access to those services.

H. Remarks from Visitors- Tae Barman thanked everyone for their hard work.

The next EMC meeting is: DATE: September 14, 2022
 TIME: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 PLACE: TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.