



## Minutes City of Tempe Sustainability Commission July 18, 2016

Minutes of the Tempe Sustainability Commission held on Monday, July 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m., at the Public Works Conference Room, 31 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Garden Level, Tempe, Arizona.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

John F. Kane (Chair)  
Kendon Jung (Vice Chair)  
Mary Ann Miller  
Colin Tetreault  
Alix Monty

Aaron Redman  
Corey Hawkey  
Gretchen Reinhardt – by phone  
Carol Hu

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Arnim Wiek  
Jessica Hauer

**City Staff Present:**

Don Bessler, Public Works Director

**Guests Present:**

None

Chair John Kane called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearance**

None

**Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Chair Kane introduced the minutes of the June 20, 2016 meeting and asked for a motion.

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

**Motion:** Commissioner Miller

**Second:** Commissioner Tetreault

**Decision:** Approved

**Agenda Item 3 – Recap Previous Presentations**

None

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#### **Agenda Item 4 – City of Tempe Commissions**

The Commission discussed the possibility of where there may be overlap and/or opportunities to collaborate with other established city of Tempe Commissions. Such as opportunities to network, create synergy for sustainability initiatives or review business practices.

Commission would like to:

- Agendize for August meeting the recommended priority work plan items for the new Sustainability Manager.
- Consider how all commissions can drive the metrics identified in the Compact of Mayors.
- Consider how the Sustainability Commissioner may act as an “ambassador” to other commissions, and what the Sustainability Commission message would be

#### **Agenda Item 5 – GHG Inventory Assistance**

Don gave an update on the impending GHG Inventory and how the city had been accepted for assistance by ICLEI – Government for Sustainability. As a part of signing on to the Mayors Compact, ICLEI USA will provide technical assistance through the GHG Inventory Fall Session program.

Commission would like to:

- Continue to support the effort to advance the Compact of Mayors and create a baseline GHG Inventory.

#### **Agenda Item 6 – Compact of Mayors**

Don gave a brief overview of the Compact status. The city has officially joined per the Commission's recommendation to the City Council.

Commission would like to:

- Commissioners want to explore different possibilities to help other commissions support the tenets of the Compact of Mayors.
- Look at an outward community facing dashboard, like ASU. Commissioners will familiarize themselves with existing Tempe dashboard “My Energy Pro” <http://www.tempe.gov/city-hall/public-works/energy-conservation>
- Look for specific projects to collaborate on with other commissions, i.e., 5<sup>th</sup> Street renovation merging transit/multi-modal/transportation initiatives with Low Impact Development (LID) principle.
- Agendize in a future meeting the potential for recommending to City Council a formal LEED and similar green building program for support of city projects.
- Follow up: Don will review how a sustainability rubric can be added to the Public Works capital project charter.

#### **Agenda Item 7 – Housekeeping items**

- Commission discussed reviewing their parking lot of future agenda items
- Commission discussed attendance, the importance of attending meetings, as well as the unique commissioners qualifications

Commissioner Redman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Jung seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Prepared by: Don Bessler

Reviewed by: Carla Sidi