

Sustainability Commission Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Mission City Hall

In attendance: John Arnett, David Greenlee, Bill Nichols, Sean Partain, Manny Trillo

Absent: Terri Baugh, Andy Hyland, Steve Mulder

Staff present: Emily Randel

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Approval of the September 12, 2016 minutes

Bill Nichols moved to approve the minutes. Sean Partain seconded. The minutes were approved with John Arnett abstaining.

III. Approval of the October 3, 2016 minutes

David Greenlee moved to approve the minutes. Sean Partain seconded. The minutes were approved with John Arnett abstaining.

IV. Review of the Rock Creek Trail Walk

The group enjoyed walking the Rock Creek Trail on October 11. There were some questions about which agency or property owner is responsible for different aspects of the trail. There are plenty of opportunities for signage improvements, beautification, enhanced lighting and more. In particular, it was mentioned that pedestrian improvements could be improved on 61st Street near the post office and Target.

Emily Randel mentioned again that things like signage could be included in the overall efforts to implement items from the Parks Master Plan. She also hoped that there would be a chance to think more about the LiveWell Johnson County grant program in case there was a project there that could improve the trail or other areas in Mission.

V. Battery Recycling Update

Emily shared that the battery recycling program has diverted 339 pounds of batteries from the landfill. The program has cost a total of \$716 since beginning in February, but there are still six boxes paid for but not yet returned.

VI. Sustainability Commission Budget Update

Emily Randel shared a budget update for expenses to date in 2016.

The total expenses in 2016 are:

Two original battery recycling boxes (Big Green Box): \$120 (Reported at the March meeting)

Drop-off battery recycling with Wholesale Battery, Inc: \$36 (Reported at the April meeting)

Sustainability Commission name badges: \$60 (Reported at the April meeting)

Big Green Box replacements (5): \$280 (Reported at the June meeting)

Big Green Box replacements (5): \$280 (Reported at the August meeting)
Sustainability Commission name badge for Steve Mulder: \$10 (Reported at the August meeting)
Contribution to concrete pads at market site: \$1,700 (Reported at the October meeting)
Sustainability Commission name badge for Sean Partain: \$10 (Reported at the October meeting)
Total remaining: \$2,504

VII. Projects for remainder of 2016

The group discussed the installation of a flagpole at Legacy park. Bill Nichols shared that he thinks that a 40' pole will be adequate. He and David Greenlee agreed to attend a Parks and Recreation meeting to ask the group if they would support the addition of a flag pole. The group discussed seeking outside funding support from groups or individuals interested in hosting a flag at the park. The pole would be lit with solar lighting.

VIII. New Business

Emily reminded the group about the BikeWalkKC Handlebar Happy Hour, Thursday, November 10 at The Bar in Mission from 5:30-7:30 p.m. There will be networking and a used bike drive for adult bikes.

IX. Adjourn

Bill Nichols moved to adjourn the meeting. David Greenlee seconded. The meeting ended at 7:30 p.m.

The Sustainability Commission will meet on Monday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.