

Sustainability Commission Minutes

Monday, July 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Mission City Hall

In attendance: John Arnett, Terri Baugh, Andy Hyland, Steve Mulder, Sean Partain, Manny Trillo

Guest: Josh Thede, Ward II resident

Staff present: Emily Randel

I. Welcome and Introductions

The group discussed member terms and adding new members. Bill Nichols has stepped off the board following his appointment to the Capital Improvement Program Committee. The City has heard from multiple residents interested in the vacant positions on the Sustainability Commission, so staff decided to advertise the vacancies on both Sustainability and the Parks, Recreation, and Tree Commission. The stated "due date" for statements of interest is July 28. The City also advertised the youth positions available on both Commissions. The youth applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, as they are received. There are two youth positions available on both groups.

II. Approval of the June 5, 2017 minutes

Andy Hyland moved to approve the minutes. Manny Trillo seconded the motion. The group approved the minutes.

III. Update on status of EPC Scorecard

Emily Randel shared that she has not heard back from Steve Coon from EPC Real Estate on their own scoring of the Sustainability Scorecard. The company is in active discussions around the development agreement with the City now, which Emily feels is the appropriate focus at this time. She will follow up when it feels appropriate, but in the meantime, the Sustainability Commission's score of 113 points out of a possible 162 points for a silver level certification can stand.

IV. Review of May 8, 2017 Sustainability Commission retreat

The group reviewed the goals and priorities that individual members had submitted following the retreat in May. Emily Randel suggested that what Andy Hyland submitted might work as a starting point for an overall document. The points he included and grouped into more general themes seemed representative of the thoughts of other members of the group. Andy volunteered to revise the document so that it might serve as the Comprehensive Sustainability Plan for 2017-2018.

V. Report of Johnson County presentation to Mission Business Partnership on commercial recycling

Terri Baugh shared that Sadie Gardner from Johnson County Department of Health and Environment presented to The Mission Business Partnership at their last meeting. Ms. Gardner

has recently been working with businesses in Downtown Overland Park to develop a collaborative recycling program. They have arranged to work with L'Arche Heartland, a non-profit working with adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, who offer door-to-door recycling services for the participating businesses. The Mission Business Partnership is interested in a similar program, and will work pursue it following the Sunflower Festival in August.

VI. Battery recycling update

Emily shared the battery recycling tracking sheet. Since February 2016, the program has turned in 597 pounds of batteries for recycling and spent \$941 on 17 battery boxes. The group discussed the public's interest in the program, and the possibility of promoting hearing aid battery recycling in a future City newsletter article in the Mission magazine. Emily Randel reported that there are no more spare boxes, so if the group supports continuing the program, it is time to order more. Andy Hyland moved to purchase five more boxes at a cost of \$290. Steve Mulder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Budget Review

Purchase	Cost	Month Reported
Big Green Box replacements (5)	\$261	April - Reported mistakenly as \$252
Battery Sorting Disposable Gloves (40)	\$5.76	April
D'Bronx Pizza for May 8 Retreat	\$68.50	May
HyVee Snacks for Cycling Class #1	\$29.94	June
HyVee Snacks for Cycling Class #2 and #3	\$27.34	July
TOTAL SPENT: \$392.54		
TOTAL REMAINING: \$4,607.46		

The total cost of snacks for the June 8 (\$15.38) and June 15 (\$11.96) cycling classes were \$27.34.

Andy Hyland moved to approve the purchase of snacks for the Confident City Cycling Class. Terri Baugh seconded the motion. The motion passed, with Steve Mulder abstaining.

VIII. New Business

The Mission Business Partnership will be hosting the 1st annual Sunflower Festival on August 25 and 26. Terri Baugh has proposed that the Sustainability Commission rent additional

recycling bins for the food truck event on Friday night from 6-9 p.m. and work with Public Works to help monitor the bins. The non-profit Bridging the Gap has portable racks available for rent that have translucent bags that show recyclables inside the bags. The cost to rent is a nominal fee, and one that the group seemed to support. Public Works will be monitoring the trash and recycling containers on Saturday during the festival from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. The group talked about creating signage for the bins to promote the Sustainability Commission (laminated logo, for example).

Terri Baugh suggested that the Sustainability Commission reserve a date at the Mission Farm and Flower Market to host the Community Tent. Terri has a prepared presentation on recycling education.

IX. Adjourn

Terri Baugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Andy Hyland seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Sustainability Commission will be on Monday, August 7 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.