



Sustainability Oversight Committee

Secretary – Evert Garcia

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Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Erinn Ryen, Shubhangi Gandhi, Robin Wilt, Nate Gibbs, Bill Brower, Jayme Breschard, Jeff Frisch, Ken Knustsen, Mitch Nellis, Tom Robinson, Carol Austin, William Bayer, Lena DeSantis, Evert Garcia, Brendan Ryan

Open Forum:

Minutes:

- The February and March meeting minutes were approved with no changes.

Announcements:

Guest Speaker:

Old Business

○ Team Introductions

- There has been a change in leadership on the Climate Action Plan's consultant team. Brighton's Climate Action Plan project manager, Tom Robinson, has accepted a position with a different firm and is no longer with Barton and Loguidice. Jayme Breschard, Senior Managing Community Planner, will be taking over as the project manager for the development of the Brighton Climate Action Plan.
- Ken Kanutsen, Senior Vice President with Barton and Loguidice, attended the meeting to provide an update on the leadership transition for the CAP.
- Tom will remain involved as a sub-consultant to Barton and Loguidice to provide institutional knowledge and ensure a smooth transition.

○ Climate Action Plan

- GHG Inventory Review
 - The consultant team of B&L and Anchor QEA provided a summary of the CAP progress and ideas for the forthcoming spring public event.
 - Lena DeSantis from Anchor QEA provided an update to the review of the existing GHG inventory and the draft CAP.
 - One of the key items discussed relates to updating the emissions factors (EI) used in the original GHG inventory and updating the GHG to reflect current conditions in both government operations and the community at large.

- Updating the GHG inventory will allow to the Town to review trends.
- Anchor QEA will have a focused meeting with Erinn and Town staff to discuss the parameters for updating the GHG inventory.
- **Public Event 1 & Brighton Climate App**
 - The project team is in the planning stages for Public Event 1.
 - The event will try to focus on youth groups and maximize involvement of students from the Lorax Club and climate related classes in Brighton.
 - Timeline for the event is anticipated for the end of May or mid-June.
 - This event will also coincide with the launch of the Climate App. The Climate App is an interactive mapping platform intended to collect public feedback for the CAP.
 - The Climate App will be prepopulated with existing climate related projects that have already been implemented by the Town to model how residents can use the app.
- **HeatSmart Campaign Letter of Support-Update**
 - Town staff has incorporated the comments received on the draft letter of support for the HeatSmart campaign participation by the Town and will submit the letter to the Town Board at the next meeting.
- **Unified Solar Permit (USP)**
 - Town staff provided the SOC with a brief update on this matter.
 - The USP was discussed by the Public Works Committee (PWC) at their April meeting. It was noted that although the USP can be revised to accommodate language regarding the ARB review and elimination of ground and/or building mounted solar array, it could not be revised to accommodate other standard Building Permit application questions and therefore would result in multiple permits within the Building Department. The implementation of multiple permits which are not consistent with each other would cause confusion for residents and not recommended at this time.
- **Pollinator Garden-Update**
 - There continues to be interest in the installation of a pollinator garden at the Lac de Ville pond site. The next step would likely involve developing a public education campaign related to the forthcoming improvements at the pond site. Robin and the SOC are looking for volunteers to assist in this regard.

Adjournment

Adjourned 8:40 PM

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for **May 24, 2022**, at 7:00 PM via Zoom due to COVID and for the community's health and safety.