

Nov 26, 2024 | CESC Minutes

Attendees: Catalina Wagers, John Barber (by phone), Tami Matsuoka, Sustainability Director Andy Bo-teng, Councilperson Gail Larsen, Bill Hanavan, and (by Zoom) Carly Beck, Mohammed Iftan, Sean Terry.

Notes

Approved as submitted: minutes of previous CESC meeting

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J. Barber has met with councilmen Cuda and Cobb to discuss CESC subcommittees. Further discussions to follow.

Recycling

G. Larsen and A. Bo-Teng met with the Public Works Department to discuss placement of recycling bins at 2 sites for 1/2025. Locations and final costs are pending . Discussion revolved around monitoring of proper usage, security. Community education about proper recycling was emphasized.

Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty

was discussed with J. Barber and select council members. It was decided to discuss it further in the new year . . .

2-stroke engines and AQ .

A.Boateng has produced an inventory of current **ICE (internal combustion engines)** equipment in city usage. He proposes a phase-in replacement of climate-friendly electrical devices where possible. Examples of costs are mowers \$12,699, leaf blowers \$120. He will pursue grants to help fund the transition.

The city will also provide alerts to city employees to avoid ICE usage where possible during high-risk AQ days .

Composting

Per G. Larsen, \$34 K is proposed to fund 2 public composting sites and RFPs will be sought (although the regional dominance of Rust Belt Riders may be a deciding factor in their favor). Again public education and monitoring usage were emphasized.

Discussion CARP

A.Boateng expressed disappointment with the absence of a solid pathway and schedule for implementation of the CARP in the publicly-provided draft. We should insist that such a pathway be delineated before signing off on the final CARP.

Reducing Waste

C. Wagers produced a sheet of guidance for reducing waste at public events. A.Boateng has also proposed a set of on-line guidelines and QR codes to link to more detailed educational material including short videos for reducing waste in the city. Kaela Sweeney (present for the Library) offered to supplement and dovetail with our efforts to provide outreach as part of the Sustainable Libraries project. The Library has a special role in the education of children, and local school representatives should be more present at the table with the city in furtherance of Sustainability. We will reach out to the Education Board President and extend an invitation to future CESC meetings.

DORA progress

Discussion revolved around the appropriate number of trash cans and monitoring for littering.

Next CESC meeting is set for December 17th 12:30 to 2PM.

Meeting adjourned 1:50 PM

Respectfully, Bill Hanavan