



Lafayette Waste Reduction Advisory Committee Meeting

March 4, 2021
Minutes

Call to Order: by Chair LeBeau at 6:39 PM.

Attendance: Becky Tyer, Matt LeBeau, Adam Gianola, Jenn Dingman, David Fridland, Josh Brown, Jenny Steel, Melissa Hisel (Staff Liaison), Tanya Briggs (Council Liaison).

Absent: Kathy Wertz, Kali Diamond

Minutes: The February 4, 2021 minutes were approved unanimously by a motion from Jenn Dingman, second by Adam Gianola.

Public Comment: None.

Council/RCAB Update: Councilor Briggs shared that a proposed Boulder County composting facility has created a great deal of public interest. The project has been withdrawn from the review process to allow for more discussion and community input.

Staff Update: Acting Deputy City Administrator Hisel provided an update on the following:

- Recruitment process for the Sustainability Coordinator – final interviews take place on March 8 and 11 and staff hope to have the position filled by April 1. Becky Tyer sat in on earlier panel interviews with finalists and shared her perspectives.
- The Sustainability Plan 95% draft was presented to City Council at workshop on February 22 and will be before Council for final approval on March 16, 2021.
- At the February meeting WRAC voted to support Recycle Colorado through a Community Partner membership. Since then liaison Hisel discovered that the City had a membership in 2020 purchased by former Sustainability Coordinator Tony Raeker. Hisel will renew the membership. David Fridland will provide her with the appropriate contact at Recycle Colorado.

New Business

A. Committee Vacancies

Liaison Hisel reviewed the WRAC by-laws to get clarification around committee vacancies; WRAC has 7 regular members and 5 alternates all with 4-year terms. There are presently three alternate seats open. Applications have been open on the website, but no applications have been received. Liaison Hisel will work to promote the opportunity. If the group has any changes they would like to see on the WRAC page within the City website, Hisel will make them.

Chair LeBeau's term is set to expire in April 2021, he expressed an intention to seek reappointment. Adam Gianola motioned to nominate LeBeau for reappointment for another 4-year term, Becky Tyer second. Unanimous approval. Liaison Hisel will draft a memo recommending LeBeau's reappointment to City Council for an upcoming council meeting.

Old Business

- A. Food Waste Recovery
 - a. Recovery continues to go well, and pick-ups occur three times each week.
- B. Sustainable Film Series
 - a. The series has ended, and the last event was held online on February 24th, 2021.
- C. Other Business
 - a. Adam Gianola reminded the group that the City's waste contract is up for renewal in September 2021. He requests that the group provide feedback on the scope of the request-for-proposal for this project. Possible considerations discussed include HOAs with existing contracts, compost for resident use, special event dumpsters, data reporting and waste trucks utilizing alternative fuels.
 - b. Jenn Dingman introduced information about the Plastic Pollution Reduction Act, HB21-1162. This bill seeks to repeal the prohibition of bans on banning the use or sale of specific plastic products and if passed would prohibit retail stores and restaurants from providing single-use plastic bags to customers. Dingman made a motion that WRAC recommend to City Council that the indicate support for this ban through a formal resolution. LeBeau seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:38pm by a unanimous vote with a motion by Adam Gianola and a second by Becky Tyer.

Attest

City of Lafayette, Colorado

Melissa Hisel
Interim Staff Liaison

Waste Reduction Advisory Committee
Matt Le Beau, Chair