

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO**

**Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting
October 12, 2021**

I. OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Call to Order

The October 12, 2021 meeting of the Lafayette Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:36pm.

Roll Call

Those in attendance from LESAC Committee Vice Chair Dawn Mancini Moyer, Committee Members Tom Hardie, Neal Kruis, Ellen Dugan, Jeff Koppel, Branden Morhous, and David LoVullo.

Absent: Committee Chair Zach Rogers, Committee Member Guy Higgins, and City Council Liaison Chelsea Behanna.

City participant included Board Liaison Elizabeth Szorad.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by David LoVullo and seconded by Tom Hardie to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2021 LESAC meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

1. None

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Staff Updates

DOLA Grant: No updates for DOLA grant, waiting to hear back from consultants on two grants that were applied for. Szorad stated anticipated timeline remains the same for December or early 2022 to go to Council requesting adoption.

Fleet Electrification: Szorad is looking into options for fleet electrification or hybrid alternatives. Will be working with departments to understand upcoming need. Szorad is looking for a department to pilot the Ford Lightning in the upcoming years. If a department is on board, will look to LESAC to apply a grant for a charging station.

Earth Day 2022: Szorad is working on Earth Week activities for 2022. Looking at: Hard-to-Recycle Event, Sustainability Film, Compost Giveaway, Medicine Take Back, Sustainability Event with vendors, Open Space volunteer event, Resource Central webinar are some ideas. Szorad working with WRAC to finalize and help support Earth Month events.

Sustainability Film Series: Szorad shared that Louisville, Superior, and Broomfield will be participating in the Sustainability Film Series. Each City is responsible for organizing one

event. Lafayette will be organizing the November 18 film, which coincides with America Recycles Week. WRAC secured a guest speaker the Executive Director from the Inland Ocean Coalition in Colorado, and Lafayette will be showing “A Plastic Ocean.” Szorad is finalizing the graphics to promote the film.

Plastic Bag Ban Outreach: Szorad and Miller are working to come up with an outreach plan to start educating businesses + residents about the plastic bag ban effective January 1, 2024. Looking to have material available for Earth Day 2022. Szorad is looking into expanding the ban to include small businesses and remove any exemptions – this is a countywide initiative.

Waste: RFI was released, City will host a meeting to receive industry feedback on the draft RFP materials. Szorad has received positive feedback from haulers in the area. Szorad is also working on the waste haulers license application that will go in front of City Council on October 19 to approve the annual fee.

Upcoming Events: Szorad updated on upcoming business event – Green Business Breakfast on October 14. Businesses are welcome to attend to learn more about the Green Business Program.

B. City Council Liaison Update:

C. Other Business:

1. Boulder County Grant:

- a) PACE: Fellow took a full-time job, Erika (another PACE Fellow) will be transitioning into Lafayette. Szorad explained perfect timing due to the wrap up of the small business equity program to the to-go ware campaign. To-go ware campaign will launch in the next few weeks and will provide a \$200 rebate for businesses wanting to switch from Styrofoam containers to another to-go ware container. Koppel, Hardie, and Szorad worked on editing the flyer to provide education, which provides the rebate.
- b) Greenhouse Gas Inventory: All data gathering has been completed, Mancini Moyer and Szorad will be reviewing the inventory for any discrepancies. Once the data is reviewed, Lotus will create report and the infographic to share the story in Lafayette regarding GHG and emission goals. Szorad shared some initial data analysis that was conducted by Lotus.
- c) Neighborhood Sustainability Program Exploration: The Sustainability Intern was hired, this is her second week. Szorad introduced Miller to the Committee. Miller started to meet with organizations to explore the feasibility of the program in Lafayette. Miller will also be working on internal sustainability and conducting audits of City facilities with PACE.

2. 2022 Boulder County Grant: Szorad still working with internal departments to determine projects. Considering: rebrand of Green Business Program, expansion of

solar farms, enhancement of water conservation programs with Resource Central, and partnership with Open Space to provide interactive educational signage or stations along trails to educate users about the ecosystem and natural environment. Szorad working to finalize cost of each program. Also looking to see if there is a possibility of using grant funds to educate about the upcoming plastic bag ban and fund larger sustainability event called Eco-Tober.

3. CoPirg: Szorad was approached by CoPirg regarding committing to a 100% electric fleet with the GoEV City and County campaign. The organization is hoping to present to LESAC in the November meeting. Szorad is meeting with departments to understand the challenges to switching to EV, a lot around hauling and charging lag time. LoVullo mentioned the concern about technology as there is not an electric ambulance and what technology will be available long term.
4. GHG Inventory and Roadmap: Mancini Moyer presented historical LESAC context for the GHG inventory and roadmap. Two main files to review are the summary of inventories to date by Lotus Consulting. Mancini Moyer reviewed the scopes included in the GHG inventory and how the data is pulled from utilities. Energy and transportation are where we have the most information. Scope 3 contains most of the emissions which can include waste, food, etc. Scope 3 also reviews nature-based solutions such as sequestering carbon in Open Space. An Ordinance was passed to reduce GHG in 2017 and a roadmap was developed to get us to that goal. The roadmap outlines specific strategies that can be taken by the City to reach goals. Szorad to reach out to IT to see how to share documents with Committee and that all members can have access to.
5. Green Business History: Hardie provided a history of the Green Business program. The City piloted the Green Business Recognition program in 2013, first in Boulder County. The program has become a collaboration between LESAC and WRAC with the City and PACE. Business apply via Green Business Tracking to get recognized as a green business. Hardie explained that we last recognized businesses in 2020 for the work they are doing for sustainability. Typically a presentation to City Council was conducted and businesses could get a picture with City Council.
6. Membership: Hardie must vacate his membership for LESAC, shared his tremendous appreciation to the Committee and stated will be involved in some capacity moving forward as a business owner. With his seat vacant, that will open a regular seat.
7. Budget: Mancini Moyer requested committee members to bring their ideas to utilize the remaining budget on the November meeting.

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm.

ATTEST

CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO

Elizabeth Szorad Staff Liaison

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Zach Rogers, Chair

The minutes herein are a summary of the business conducted at this meeting, not a verbatim transcript. Only the actions taken and the text appearing in quotation marks are verbatim.