

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

**Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting
March 8, 2022**

I. OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Call to Order

The March 8, 2022 meeting of the Lafayette Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:35pm.

Roll Call

Those in attendance from LESAC were Committee Chair, Zack Rogers, Committee Vice Chair David LoVullo, Secretary Neal Kruis, Committee Members Ellen Mooneyhan, Garrett McDaniel, Jeff Koppel, and Branden Morhous.

Absent: Committee member Guy Higgins and Ariel Kalishman Walsh.

City participant included Board Liaison Elizabeth Szorad, City Sustainability Fellow Alexis Bullen, and City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Zack Rogers and seconded by Neal Kruis to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2022 LESAC meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

1. None.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Staff Updates

a. Greenhouse Gas Inventory: Szorad shared the presentation outline reviewing the GHG inventory with Council. The council presentation will be on April 5 to Council. Szorad solicited feedback from the Committee on the presentation outline.

b. Three Cart Program Updates: Szorad will be going to Council on March 15 for a notice to proceed presentation. This will provide Council the opportunity to review the proposals and RFP and identify which hauler staff can finalize a contract with, as a reminder the City received two proposals one from Republic Services and the other from Western Disposal. Public comment will be available to residents wanting to provide input to Council.

Boulder County Grant 2022:

c. Eco-Tober: Not much has occurred for this regional event. Identified areas at Centaurus for the event, hoping that BVSD will be a partner in the event to waive rental fees and get more engaged with BVSD.

- d. *Hard to Recycle Event:* Szorad will have a webpage for sustainability events featured on the sustainability landing page in the later this week. The webpage will feature all the events occurring in April.
 - e. *Green Business Program:* Szorad is working with the designer on a logo for the Green Business Program. Final logo has yet to be determined, Szorad and Bullen will work to create Green Business webpage refresh. Video for green business program filmed earlier today that highlighted three businesses.
 - f. *Staffing Support:* Bullen has been working on several items these past few weeks including: Earth Month Events, communications, getting up to speed on all things Lafayette, and new webpages. She has also started work outline the manufactured homes project and will be connecting with Morhous and LoVullo.
 - g. *Electric Tools for Open Space:* Will be ordering tools and plants later this month for April 22 volunteer event.
 - h. *Building Energy Codes:* City has been working with neighboring communities to discuss regional adoption of strengthening amendments to the building code. We are hosting our first regional public input meeting, LESAC should have received an invitation from our Chief Building Officer to attend. will be a more robust public engagement campaign that is Lafayette specific later in the year. Szorad explained the opt out or waiver consideration for Louisville and Superior. As a region we are discussing language if a natural disaster were to occur again what would the rebuild requirements look like while advancing energy codes. SWEEP has done some cost analysis regarding increase of costs that Szorad will share with LESAC once report is out.
 - i. *Code Re-write Project:* Besides the energy code, the City is starting a project to re-write codes. Szorad explained that there are specific sustainability topics being reviewed such as outdoor lighting, open space, landscaping, wildlife corridors, etc. Szorad is working with planning to identify other opportunities as well to include. Also looking into an incentive program to implement City goals in exchange for something developers are interested in. Structuring an incentive program will be part of a public process to weigh in on benefits and eligible locations. This is project is in its early phases.
 - j. *SharePoint:* Szorad worked with the IT department to develop a shared drive for LESAC members via SharePoint. Rogers and Mooneyhan have access to the shared folders. Rogers will be placing documents into that folder to share with the rest of the LESAC members. Szorad is hoping to share the folder by the next meeting.
- B. City Council Liaison Update:
- 1. Barnes attended his first CC4CA meeting that discussed state priorities and upcoming issues (plastic bag ban, Xcel plant, etc.)

2. City of Lafayette will have a legislative agenda for state-wide issues which will assist with organization.
3. Emergency ordinance for COVID is still in place for now, will re-evaluate as a County.
4. Discussed Mary Miller's complicated legacy versus Lafayette's goal of being an inclusive and equitable city.

C. Other Business:

1. New Individual Project: McDaniel and Kalishman Walsh met with Szorad to discuss the possibility of their individual project. Discussed the possibility of working on promoting energy efficiency in rental properties or HOAs.
2. Earth Day Presentations – Local Schools: Kruis discussed the idea of partnering with schools to engage students on sustainability topics. Barnes will connect Kruis with Centaurus as the school is doing an event.
3. Golf Maintenance Facility Energy Load Audit: Szorad discussed options with Mid-State to bypass the energy load audit and this was not possible. The audit is needed to determine if the existing electrical service entrance has enough capacity to add on 80amps for a dual port EV charger. It is likely that not all of the panels are maxed out, but in terms of what's being plugged into each breaker and if everything is turned on at one time – there is a large liability, breakers could break or a fire could start. An audit is needed to determine if the service entrance can handle the additional load. This will give the City the green or red light for an EV Pilot with Open Space. LESAC funds were approved for utilizing the money for the audit, Szorad is finalizing the contract with the consultant/electrician.
4. Earth Day Every Day Support – April 30: Szorad and Bullen working on finalizing the Earth Day Every Day event. Looking for LESAC volunteers for staffing the booth – Szorad sent out a link with three two-hour time slots. LESAC currently has lightbulbs to hand out to attendees. Szorad asked the Committee if there is anything else LESAC would like to create or purchase for the event. At this time LESAC will be sharing a booth with WRAC. Potential to do a survey regarding interest of community solar.
5. Sustainability Board Brainstorm: Szorad continued the discussion of creating a Sustainability Board for Lafayette, expressing that WRAC is on board with this. LESAC is on board to create a Sustainability Board, need to figure out logistics. Barnes explained how working groups could lead high level discussions with the rest of the Committee. Mooneyhan contributed to state that it could be more decision based meeting.
6. Membership: Rogers expressed interest in staying with the LESAC Committee as Roger's term is up this month. *A motion was made by David LoVollu and seconded by Ellen Mooneyhan to recommend Rogers to Council.* A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, with Rogers abstaining.
7. Project Updates:
 - a. Mobile Homes and Low-Income Communities: None. Will meet in person and connect with Bullen.

- b. Solar Expansion: None.
- c. Electrification: Kruis and Rogers have met with Szorad and have started doing research for existing builds.

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm.

ATTEST

CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO

Elizabeth Szorad Staff Liaison

LESAC Zack 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.