

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

**Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting  
August 9, 2022**

**I. OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING**

**Call to Order**

The August 9, 2022 meeting of the Lafayette Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:33pm.

**Roll Call**

Those in attendance from LESAC were Committee Vice Chair David LoVullo, and Committee Member Branden Morhous and Jeff Koppel.

Absent: Committee Chair Zack Rogers, Committee Secretary Neal Kruis, and Committee Members Ariel Kalishman Walsh, Guy Higgins, Ellen Mooneyhan, and Garrett McDaniel.

City participant included Board Liaison Elizabeth Szorad and City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*A motion was made by Branden Morhous and seconded by David LoVullo to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2022 LESAC meeting with changes. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.*

**III. PUBLIC INPUT**

A. Kevin Shulman, Chief Building Official, joined the LESAC meeting to discuss building codes and the strengthening amendments on the table.

**IV. AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Staff Updates

**Boulder County Grant 2022:**

- a. *Eco-Tober*: Started to solicit organizations/individuals for workshops. Szorad requested LESAC to support Eco-Tober with remaining budget. Looking for support on bike station with Joe Callahan. The total financial support requested is: \$700 for the event. A motion was made by David LoVullo and seconded by Jeff Koppel to approve to use remaining LESAC budget to support Eco-Tober in an electric bike station. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
- b. *Green Business Program*: PACE Fellow has wrapped up Small Business Equity Program and will focus on Green Business Program. Szorad shared flyer that was created specifically for the Green Business Program and is working with the designer on a window decal.
- c. *Staffing Support*: Hosted the first HOA informational meeting in July. The meeting went well had about 20 attendees and great discussion. A recorded presentation is on our

webpage for those who were not able to attend. Already have a few HOA's sign up to come on board in 2023. Will host another workshop in November.

- d. *Municipal EV Action Plan*: Szorad is working with Xcel to host workshops internally. Tentative date of: August 29 from 1:30pm – 3:30pm.
  - e. *Electrification Cohort*: Szorad attended first meeting with regional stakeholders in looking at building electrification in existing builds. Will continue to update the Committee on where the conversations go. In meeting, identified areas of interest: unified rebates/resources, workforce development, regional group buys.
  - f. *Science Based Targets*: There are cities updating their climate goals to meet science based targets. Updating goals to utilize 2016 as baseline data as it's more accurate. Szorad requested thoughts of the committee. LoVullo expressed not a bad idea to compare apples to apples but can lose some historical data. Szorad will continue to review this with new Sustainability Committee in 2023. Barnes expressed that 2016 baseline is more realistic than 2005. LoVullo expressed need justification to change baseline to Council.
  - g. *Building Codes*: Kruis and Rogers have taken the lead on reviewing the strengthening amendments for the 2021 IECC. Chief Building Officer Shulman provided a high level overview of the strengthening amendments that will also be reviewed in tomorrow's joint meeting with Planning Commission. LoVullo interested in performance-based energy codes over prescriptive, which aligns with Rogers perspective, but understand that this would be cumbersome. LoVullo also shared support for EV requirements, shared some hesitations with requiring commercial due to demand. Example of the Bob Burger Recreational Center stations not being utilized. Shulman explained that EV requirements already required in businesses for EV-ready, EV-installed, and EV-capable. Shulman explained cool roofs amendment and reasoning behind including it. In winter cool roofs could cause issues with not heating naturally, with insulation requirements increase in attics may not be an issue.
- B. City Council Liaison Update:
- a. Supreme Court ruled that you cannot ban concealed carry in public spaces. Council will need to decide how to proceed with the recently passed ordinance that banned concealed carry in particular public spaces.
  - b. In the process of buying market rate water rights – 124 units. This would cover all of Willoughby Corner - Boulder County Housing Authority, and 27 units extra to continue diversifying Lafayette's water portfolio.
  - c. Contractor to build the strategic plan for Library and Arts and Cultural Resources Committee is an atypical consultant that will incorporate the mission of the City.
  - d. Community events permitting got approved by Council. It will streamline the process and allows for zero waste policies. WRAC is working on the content before January 1, 2023.
  - e. Chat with Councilor table at Art Night Out.
  - f. Shared a GHG emission presentation sent by a member of the public to Council. Members enjoyed the adaptation perspective vs. mitigation perspective. Members

have expressed interest in having individual to present to Committee. Szorad will connect and request presentation in October. LoVullo expressed interest in assessing vulnerabilities in Lafayette's infrastructure in future years.

C. Other Business:

a. Joint Meeting with Planning – LESAC will have a joint meeting with Planning tomorrow at 7pm in the Council Chambers.

b. Project Updates:

a. Manufacture Home Community and Low-Income Communities: County will be partnering with Lafayette to host a DIY workshop for manufactured communities. Alexis Bullen will be reaching out to members for support. Morhous got in contact with Energy Resource Center and Colorado Energy Office and are available to share resources. Morhous will connect to get a meeting, will connect with Bullen prior to meeting.

b. Solar Expansion: Szorad explained the comments from the City on floatovoltaics, will share with Higgins and Mooneyhan. Also, with the federal inflation reduction act will increase solar tax credit.

c. Electrification: Rogers and Kruis working on reviewing the proposed strengthening amendments.

d. Multi-family Energy Efficiency: N/A

V. **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

ATTEST

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Elizabeth Szorad, Staff Liaison

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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.