



MINUTES

City of Flagstaff Sustainability Commission

Wednesday January 9, 2013
4:30 – 6:00 pm

City Hall, Staff Conference Room
211 West Aspen Avenue, Flagstaff, Arizona

A quorum of the Flagstaff City Council may be in attendance of the Sustainability Commission meeting.



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CALL TO ORDER

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Kim Lucy, Chair
Kathy Farretta, Vice Chair
Carlton Johnson
Jack Welch
Bryan McLaren
Aregai Tecele

CITY STAFF:

Nicole Woodman, Sustainability Manager
Lucy Huffman, Sustainability Assistant
Nicole Denering, Sustainability Aide
Erik Olsen, Sustainability Aide
Stephanie Smith, Executive Assistant with
the City Manager's Office

1. Call to Order

Commission Chair Kim Lucy called the December Sustainability Commission Meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

2. Public Participation

At this time, any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject that is not scheduled before the Commission on that day. The Arizona Open Meeting Law prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on an item which is criticism made by those addressing the Commission, ask staff to review a matter, or ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of Minutes

Jack Welch motioned to approve the December minutes. Kathy Farretta seconded the motion. Motion approved.

4. Discussion Items

A. Earth Day

Erik Olsen led the Commission discussion on ways in which members could support and be involved in the 2013 Earth Day Celebration. Commissioners can help with

program outreach, recycling education and leading workshops or demonstrations throughout the day. Erik Olsen will be in touch with the commissioners on specifics for working the Earth Day event as it approaches. Bryan McLaren announced that NAU was hosting a Sustainable Film series leading up to Earth Day.

B. Plastic Bag Recommendation to City Council

The recommendation went through Legal review and was sent to Council members. There were no comments. Commission will move forward with plans to draft a plastic bag reduction initiative.

C. Regional Plan Update – Nicole Woodman

The next Regional Plan draft will be available for review on February 14, 2013. The draft will be open for review for 60 days with comments due by April 15, 2013.

5. Presentation Items

A. Resiliency and Preparedness Study- Stephanie Smith

Stephanie Smith presented the background of the Resiliency and Preparedness Study including the official policy adopted by the Council. The commission discussed ways in which they could support the study through increased understanding of the plan, policy and ways the City will be incorporating the plan into their policies in the future.

6. Action Items

A. Nominations for Point-person Roles

The following will be the point-people for upcoming Commission initiatives:

- Bryan McLaren – Plastic Bag Reduction
- Carlton Johnson – Regional Plan review
- Jack Welch – Earth Day

7. Information Items To and From Commissioners and Staff

Stephanie Smith announced her transition from the Sustainability Program to the City Managers Office. Nicole Woodman announced the state land public hearing for Observatory Mesa being held February 12, 2013 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm in City Council chambers.

8. Agenda Items for Next Month

Invite different groups to attend the meeting for a discussion on Plastic Bags.
Earth Day

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kim Lucy, Jack Welch seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.