



ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND ENERGY COMMISSION

Fridley Municipal Center, 6431 University Ave Ne

AGENDA

September 11, 2018

Location: Fridley City Hall, Conference Room A, 7:00 PM

Call to Order

Approve Environmental Quality and Energy Commission Minutes

- 1) Review August 28 Minutes

New Business

- 1) Introduction to Debbie Dahl and Jeff Jensen
- 2) Branding

Old Business

- 1) PiE Energy Planning- MOU and goals

Other

- 1) September 10 Tree Planting- Target

Next meeting Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Fridley Municipal Center

Adjourn



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MINUTES

August 28, 2018

Location: City of Fridley City Hall, Conference Room A

Call to Order

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Members present: Nick Olberding, Heidi Ferris, Justin Foell, Mark Hansen, Sam Stoxen

Absent: Kyle Mulrooney, Paul Westby

Staff present: Rachel Workin, Environmental Planner; Jim Kosluchar, City Engineer

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Olberding moved to approve the July 10 meeting minutes. Commissioner Foell seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED unanimously

New Business

1) Public Meeting- Wellhead Protection Plan

Jim Kosluchar, City Engineer, held the public meeting for plan update Part 1 of the draft Wellhead Protection Plan. The plan update is an amendment to the 2008 plan, and is occurring as part of the standard 10-year update process. Mr. Kosluchar, presented information related to the City's drinking water source, drinking water surface management areas (DWSMA), and areas of vulnerability. He explained that the DWSMA and areas of vulnerability have changed as a result of more precise modeling and new information related to the area's geology. Mr. Kosluchar emphasized the need for a regional approach as Fridley's DWSMA extended into the jurisdictions of other cities and vice versa. The EQEC discussed the location of the high vulnerability areas and emphasized the need for targeted outreach to residents and businesses in these locations. Mr. Kosluchar said he would send the EQEC the link to the presentation and a video on well-sealing.

2) Grant Updates

Ms. Workin updated the group on grant applications that had been submitted for EAB management, EV charging station. She also stated that the City was working with the MWMO to decrease salt usage.

3) **Organics Survey**

Ms. Workin shared results from the survey Organics Survey. 66 respondents completed the survey, of which 98% were satisfied with the program. When asked to rank options to change the program 51% listed “I would not change anything”; 27% of respondents listed “Price”; 15% of respondents listed collection day; 5% listed collection service and 20.37 listed billing method as their first choice changes. Most subscribers recycle 2-4 bags per week. 30% of respondents already had the smallest cart; 19% switched to the smallest cart and 22% are planning to switch to the smallest cart.

Old Business

1) **PiE Energy Planning**

Ms. Workin shared the progress of the PiE Energy and asked the EQEC about how they would like to be involved. EQEC members expressed interest in door-knocking for specific campaign. Members stated that they would also be interested in hosting a lunch and learn if content was provided. Commissioner Ferris recommended building on existing networks. Ms. Workin stated that she would return with specific goals and strategies for the group to review at the September 11 meeting and formally approve at the October 10 meeting. The full plan would be approved by Council in November.

2) **BMO Tree Pruning**

Ms. Workin shared that BMO Harris assisted with a tree pruning event and a tree planting event would occur with Target at Edgewater Gardens and the hill off Mississippi.

Other

1) **September Drop-off – September 8**

2) **Target Tree Planting**

Adjournment

Commissioner Stoxten moved to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Olberding seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:21.



Focus Area Goals and Strategies

Goals

Community-wide:

- Reduce energy use 5% by 2020, 20% by 2030, as compared to business as usual.

Residential:

- By 2020, Fridley residents will take 1,200 additional energy conservation and renewable energy actions
- Residents will reduce total energy use 10% by 2030, as compared to business as usual.

Institutions:

- By 2020, institutions will achieve 5% energy savings
- By 2030, institutions will reduce total energy use 15% as compared to business as usual

Business and Multifamily:

- By 2020, businesses and multi-family buildings will achieve 5% energy savings
- By 2030, businesses and multi-family buildings will reduce total energy use 20% as compared to business as usual

Transportation and Electric Vehicles:

- By 2020, the City will reach 500 residents and employees through an outreach campaign to raise awareness about electric vehicles
- By 2020, the City will reach 10 businesses and multifamily buildings through a targeted outreach campaign to encourage installation of charging infrastructure
- By 2020, the City will install 1 electric vehicle charging station at a city-owned building or location

General Strategies

- Provide general informational materials through City communication channels, including website, newsletter, social media, and events
- Leverage existing City relationships and programs to promote targeted energy-saving and renewable energy opportunities
- Coordinate with the City's building department and Development Review Committee to integrate information about energy efficiency and renewable energy into the development process.