



Sustainability Advisory Committee

*SAC COMMITTEE
VIRTUAL Meeting minutes
January 27, 2022*

ROLL CALL:

Bill Chamberlin
Angela Flotken
Tina Murtha
Cheryl Redohl
Cindy Mense
George Hettich Clayton Century Foundation Liaison
Rich Lintz, Aldermanic Representative

ABSENT:

Becky Patel, Aldermanic Representative
Susannah Fuch

CITY STAFF:

Matt Malick, Director of Public Works
John Wulf, Asst. Director of Public Works
Daneen Schlereth, Recording Administrative Specialist II

🚦 Virtual meeting was called to order at 4:30pm; December minutes were approved.

Bill's Update

Bill spoke with Torrez

- Carbon footprint by 2030
- Working with Utility Co to phase out residential gas usage.
- Will continue to get updates from Torez

Bill informed the committee he spoke with the City of Brentwood & Maplewood

- Meeting to create Tri-County Sustainability Committee
- Brentwood received grant money from St. Louis County & MO Botanical Gardens for residents to get a reduced cost for compostable equipment
- Brentwood is researching on installing EV stations in residential areas.
- Researching ADA standards

Rich asked Bill who is driving Brentwood & Maplewood's committee

- City of Brentwood – Eric Gruenenfelder
- City of Maplewood – Ralph Bicknese – LEED certified.
 - Heidi Schoen works for Straight-up Solar

Bill informed the committee he reached out to Equity Committee of Clayton.

- Split into sub-committees
- Spreadsheet for responsibilities
- Present at meetings
- Bill would like to see this happen in our committee.

Susan Piazza from Republic Services was present for the meeting – Bill asked about publication for educating the residents.

Susan said she has the resources and could provide pictured flyers with the Do's and Don'ts of recycling and if we had anything we wanted to add to just let her know.

Bill asked the Communication team to follow up with Susan Piazza.

Bill asked Matt if the city had any new projects

Matt informed the committee about:

- Livable Community Master Plan is in the works

George's Updates from CCF:

- Seed planted for EV stations
- Parking Regulations sent to ARB in October
- E-Cab is now E-Transportation and was approved in January BOA meeting
- Greenspace Expansion – Maryland Park funded.
- Sustainability Projects always on focus.

General Business

- Richmond Heights has a city accessible compostable area & city garden
- Asked if the city could provide something like that for businesses to dispose of scraps in a central location. Rich said he would follow up with Gary Carter.
- Business have stated they are limited in space in the alley to recycle.
- Susan Piazza informed the committee – St. Louis Composting has some upcoming changes with Republic regarding compostable – will keep the city informed.
- Angela said she had heard some cities have volunteer residents pick up food that is extra and dropped off at shelters. Something the city might investigate.
- Bill asked Tina to set up a leader for the Communications group.
- Bill asked Cindy to set up a leader for the Building/Infrastructure group.
- Cindy asked if the city could look into the Form Base Code (Planning & Zoning Codes) – show residents could benefit from some of the sustainability incentives, ex: solar panels, Geo-thermo energy resource incentives.
- Cindy said some residents do not have a back yard, Richmond Heights allows residents to have gardens in their front yard – would the city allow them or is the city is more concerned about the aesthetics instead of the incentives for environmental goals.
- Rich informed the H3 Design – Form Base codes were established for downtown, however we have lost our Planning & Development Director – residential will be on hold.
- I clarified with Planning and Zoning H3 Design was under contract with the city to update the 2 Downtown Overlay Zoning Districts (CBD & Downtown Core). The ordinance was approved on January 11th, 2022 and I have attached a copy at the end of the minutes.
- Matt informed the committee – Gabrielle Macaluso is the Communications Director – deadline is April 13th for the next CityViews.
- Angela said we need to continue with communication and educating the residents.
- Matt informed the committee we have update information for residents from Republic, its just getting it distributed.
- Angela suggested we have residents, or the neighborhood block captains help distribute them.
- Cindy asked about the intern the committee discussed. Matt informed the committee he had spoke with David Gipson, City Manager, and he stated the city has no extra funds for one.
- Rich seconded Matt's response and suggested we reach out to Washington University; they have a huge Sustainability group and see if a student needs some volunteer time. He also suggested we come up with a project first before we reach out, so the student has something specific to research.

Bill wrapped up the meeting

- Sub-committees need to be more active
- Assign & follow-up on projects and report back at the next meeting

Next meeting: February 24, 2022

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm