



**Energy and Environment Committee  
Regular Agenda  
March 20, 2017  
5:30 PM  
Administrative Conference Room  
Government Center  
300 N New Ballas Rd**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
  - 1. Approval of February 14, 2017 Energy and Environment Committee Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Report From Chair**
  - A. Announcement: Arts Committee reps will attend April Meeting***
  - B. County Building Code***
- 5. Unfinished Business**
  - A. Arbor Day (April 30) Logistics: Who will be there; what we will do***
  - B. Sustainability Award and Sustainability Certification; Meeting with EDC***
  - C. Efforts to help business sustainability***
    - i. Business survey/recycling “audit”/ meetings**
    - ii. Efforts to work with recycling and energy service providers/contractors to make sustainability efforts easier and less expensive**
- 6. New Business**
- 7. Business from Members**
- 8. Business from Council Liaison**
- 9. Business From Staff Liaison**
- 10. Adjourn**



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**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

Ben Lefton	Committee Member	(Absent)
Hal Harris	Vice Chair	
Joseph Martinich	Chair	
Judy Sherman	Committee Member	(Absent)
Sheerie Green	Committee Member	
Jason Muchow	Board Member	
Alexis Travers	Council Liaison	
George Seifried	Staff Liaison	
Jeffrey Dickler	Resident	
Dat Ngo	Committee Member	(Absent)

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of January 10, 2017 Energy and Environment Committee Meeting Minutes**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Hal Harris, Vice Chair
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Sheerie Green, Committee Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Harris, Martinich, Green, Muchow
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Lefton, Sherman

**2. Report From the Chair**

Agenda Correction: Reminder the committee will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month starting in March.

Committee - had a general discussion about the architect selection for the new police station.

Joseph Martinich - stated he feels some push back from Navigate Building Solutions for sustainability options in the Police Station, but wants to assure everyone he will fight for sustainability.

Committee - had a conversation about sustainable options, LEED Certification and how it will be implemented in the Police Station.

George Seifried - intervened to read the notation in the Design Contract which applies to sustainability: Team to track sustainability initiatives for all disciplines. The Team will be required to design a building that meets LEED Version 3 Basic Certification pending budget verification. Team to track sustainability initiative for all disciplines and record on the standard LEED Project Matrix. However, formal LEED Certification will not be sought nor will procedures be put in place during construction to validate the work.

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Feb 14, 2017 5:30 PM (Approval of Minutes)



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Alexis Travers requested Mr. Martinich send her an email with the information about sustainability items he recommends, then Ms. Travers will discuss these items with Mark Perkins.

Mr. Martinich - gave a brief update on the Comprehensive Plan, he explained some good things were added for sustainability.

Mr. Martinich - gave an update about the St. Louis County Building Commission, he stated the building community is well represented on the Commission. He expressed concern about the amendments approved by the Commission which weaken the sustainability aspects of the 2015 IEE code.

Committee - had a general conversation about the Building Commission and changes to the building code.

Mr. Martinich - will provide information to the committee so they are more informed about the changes in the building code, and asked committee members to follow up with their County Council Representatives to push for more sustainability.

#### **4. Unfinished Business**

Mr. Martinich - stated he wants to have a meeting with the Economic Development Committee (EDC) to begin a sustainability award program for businesses.

Mr. Martinich - stated it is too late in the year to create a sustainability award program for business, but he wants to create a subcommittee, sit down and outline the criteria for the award, then the committee will be prepared to meet with the EDC and established and award program for next year.

Committee - had a general conversation about the details of the criteria for the award.

Mr. Martinich discussed the committee goals set up at the beginning of the year; one of the goals is education for residence and businesses.

Mr. Martinich stated he will take the lead on setting up and helping education subcommittee.

Ms. Travers stated she reached out to Mark Perkins and asked if the committee is allowed to go to businesses and promote sustainability.

Ms. Travers stated Mr. Perkins said she should advise the council if the EEC wants to approach businesses and then the committee should develop questions and send a short survey as a way to reach out.

Ms. Travers stated she does not feel a survey is the way to go, because response will be limited and she feels the committee should go door to door.

Committee - had a conversation about connecting with businesses face to face.

Ms. Travers - stated she feels an ordinance should be passed, which will require businesses in Creve Coeur, or moving into town, to provide some form of sustainability.



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Committee - had a conversation about passing an ordinance and what other Cities are doing for sustainability.

Committee - had a more detailed conversation about how to reach out to business and find out what they are doing to be sustainable.

Mr. Martinich - stated the committee will have a full meeting committed to a work session in March or April.

Mr. Martinich - stated at the next meeting the committee will develop a survey and a strategy for distributing the workload to go out and reach local businesses.

Committee - had a general discussion about the work session.

Hal Harris - stated his push is for bicycling for transportation; a couple of organizations foster this and one is the League of American Bicyclist.

Mr. Harris - stated he is a League Certified instructor for the League of American Bicyclists and there is another group called Cyclist Savvy, which has goals to instruct bicyclists how to safely ride in traffic.

Mr. Martinich - asked Mr. Harris if he would like the committee to sponsor the class.

Mr. Harris - stated he would like the committee sponsorship.

## **5. New Business**

### ***A. Earth Day***

The City does not sponsor any events for Earth Day.

### ***B. Arbor Day***

Arbor Day is on April 30, 2017 from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Committee - had a general discussion.

Committee - agreed they should host a booth for the event.

Mr. Seifried - will setup a booth for the event, the committee members will need to create a program and attend the booth.

## **6. Business from Members**

Sheerie Green - asked a question about the budget; she wanted to know if any money was allowed for new bike signs.

Committee - had a general discussion about the budget.



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Mr. Martinich said the committee should develop a plan for next year's capital improvements.

## **7. Business from Council Liaison**

Ms. Travers - stated she did not have any information she did not already provide throughout the meeting.

## **8. Business from Staff Liaison**

Mr. Seifried - asked if anyone has any contacts at the Danforth Plant Science Center, if they do he recommended trying to reach out to them, because they are very big about sustainability.

Committee - had a general discussion about exploring this option.

Mr. Seifried - stated the committee only meets 12 times a year and has some ambitious goals, he is unsure how the group will accomplish these goals unless the meetings are more productive.

Mr. Martinich - agreed and said the committee is going to have to divide task among committee members are going to have to meet longer or more often.

Committee - discussed having members who do not show up regularly for meetings be replaced with new members to help with the workload.

## **9. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.