



Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE and to the general public that THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE will hold the following meeting which will be open to the public:

2015
CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE

July 14, 2015

MINUTES

The CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE (CCC) held a meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, 3:00 PM, at the Tucson Parks and Recreation Administration Office (900 S Randolph Way), Tucson, Arizona. The meeting took place in the Mesquite Conference Room.

1. Call to Order/ Roll call

The meeting was called to order at 3:12 pm. Juan Garcia, Ben Champion, Frank Slingerland, Susy Morales, Nicole Sweeney, Lisette DeMars, John Schwarz, Joanie Sawyer, Michael Ray, Barbara Warren

2. Action: May 20, 2015 Minutes

John made a motion to approve the May minutes. Lisette seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

3. General Announcements

Committee gave general updates. No action taken

4. Status: CCC Membership update

It was reported by Barbara that Donna Gilby-Branch has moved out of Tucson and would no longer be part of the CCC. Gregg provided a nomination for Dr. James Sell, and after review of his resume and qualifications, it was recommended by discussion that he be invited to join the committee in the alternate Green Infrastructure seat.

5. Mayor and Council Meeting updates

Meeting with Ward 5 is scheduled; Nicole and Gregg will be attending. Joanie has volunteered to take lead with scheduling the Ward 4 meeting. Nicole and John will attend this meeting with Joanne.

6. Adaptation subcommittee report

Barbara reported that each member of the adaptation subcommittee is working on a scope for a different area of the overall plan. In the process of trying to schedule additional 3-4 hour meetings to continue work.

7. Discussion: M&C Advisory Committees and joint meeting with MEC

Approved August 19, 2015

- Collaboration w/ MEC on carbon tax in AZ
- League of Cities items are easier to get through
- State has laid out jurisdictions of the city
- State could recognize gas tax as theirs/may not allow city to impose
- John: 3% Tax on Electric bill – funds go to budget/general fund
- Ben: Find out how the Tax is used/suggest uses for it
- 1) Opportunity to increase tax
- 2) Specify use of tax
- Franchise Agreement expires in 2026
- Incentive based fee, money back to TEP based on consumption
- Robert Bulechek: Need to have a proposal before a joint committee meeting
 - o City resolution that's ready to go
 - o 2 members of council to back proposal
 - o Use other City reports to show what mitigation measures can do
- Sustainability Council
 - o Would include MEC, CWAC, Food Securities, Parks and Rec committee, LAC, Bicycle Advisory Committee, possibly others
 - o One seat/one alternate from each of the committees
 - o Mike: Can this network be derailed by outside influences
 - o Quarterly meetings, network ongoing
 - o Definition of Sustainability – compelling reason to attend

8. Discussion: Draft recommendation to M&C in support of national Carbon Fee and Dividend legislation

- The committee discussed the draft recommendation distributed by Ron. Committee would like Ron to bring this back for further discussion on future agenda.

9. Future agenda items

- CCC Elections
- Subcommittees for Franchise Fees, Carbon Fees
- Tucson Clean and Beautiful
- Farley Visit

10. Call to Audience

- Stephanie Buechler – Cross Border Studies buechler@email.arizona.edu

11. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 PM