CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION (SAC)

City Building City Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 4, 2010

Minutes of Meeting

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Jean Ascoli, Gary Cziko, John Marlin, Jennifer Monson, Kirstin Replogle, Stephen Wald

Staff Present: Anna Hochhalter, Jeff Engstrom, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

This meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda submitted.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The meeting minutes from April 6, 2010 were presented. Jean Ascoli moved to approve the minutes, Gary Cziko seconded, and the motion carried by a voice vote.

Public Input

No members of the public were in attendance.

Communications

Presentation by Staff: Monthly Report

Anna Hochhalter presented the Urbana Sustainability Monthly Progress Report. The report included information regarding projects which are in process, staff activities, and upcoming events.

Marya Ryan gave a brief presentation on the Sustainable Governance Conference she attended April 23, 2010.

Miscellaneous

Marya Ryan commented that it was Jennifer Monson's last meeting and thanked for her service to the Commission.

Kirstin Replogle announced that the Sierra Club Cool Cities Campaign is hosting two workshops, one in Chicago June 12, and one in Normal October 2.

Old Business

Discussion of Urbana Climate Action Plan (CAP) Process

Anna Hochhalter presented a memo concerning an update on the Urbana Climate Action Plan (CAP). The update included a discussion on the activities related to the completion of the first draft of the CAP; compiling input, writing text, analyzing strategies, and public engagement. Additionally, Hochhalter provided a more generalized draft schedule for the completion of the CAP and made the recommendation that Commissioners review and make suggestions directed toward that as well as the implementation of reduction strategies.

The Commission discussed the Draft Climate Action Plan Table of Contents and suggested creating separate chapters dealing with the Implementation Plan and Monitoring and Evaluation. Additionally, the Commission divvyed up Jennifer Monsons' assigned stakeholder contacts and reviewed the purpose of contacting the groups and companies. Stephen Wald was asked to contact Dr. Donald Wuebbles regarding the use of his presentation from the public input sessions and the possibility of posting the discussion on the City of Urbana website.

Discussion of Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)

Stephen Wald led a brief discussion regarding PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) financing programs. He reported that the enabling legislation, Illinois Senate Bill 2505, did not make it through the house this legislative session but he would keep the Commission informed of the situation. However, Ameren's on-bill financing program was set to be launched this summer and Wald would again take the lead identifying resources to address any questions submitted by the Commission.

Announcements

The following announcements were made:

- Jeff Engstrom, concerning the May 12th Downtown Visioning workshop at the Urbana Civic Center;
- Jean Ascoli, concerning incentives and funding provided by Illinois DCEO and Ameren;
- Gary Cziko, concerning the May 4th Bike to Work Day and the publication of the 2010 Bicycle Map. Cziko also announced that Urbana has been awarded Bicycle Friendly Community status by the League of American Bicyclists.

The next regularly scheduled SAC meeting, will take place Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.