CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

City Council Chambers Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Gary Cziko, John Marlin, Amelia Neptune, Todd Rusk, Rachel Vellenga

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Ouorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Marya Ryan welcomed Amelia Neptune, Sustainability Specialist at the University of Illinois, as the newest member of the Commission.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda submitted.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Cziko, second by Ms. Vellenga, to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Communications

Staff Report

Scott Tess provided the February Staff Report that answered questions that arose from commission members relating to information provided at the January meeting. Tess also gave updates on material collection increases in the U-Cycle curbside and multifamily recycling programs, Household Hazardous Waste Collection results, and a potential analysis of public access to area recreational waters provided by the Regional Planning Commission. He noted that the March SAC meeting is scheduled for March 5.

Continuing Business

Sustainable Water Management Draft

Scott Tess continued a discussion on SAC's role in the sustainable management of water resources and how best to define related problems and potential threats. A performance metric to better identify recreational waters and classify waterways as publicly accessible and not publicly accessible was prepared by the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission and that information was shared by Tess.

Additionally, the Commission discussed promotion of environmentally friendly landscape practices, Sole Source Aquifer designation, potential regional collaboration in drinking water quality issues and discharge uses, and the addition of a list of definitions to the final management document. Tess will continue work on the draft and distribute updates a week to ten days prior to the next scheduled meeting.

Review of Potential CAP Implementation

Scott Tess handed out a document detailing Climate Action Plan items and their current status; proposed, in progress, or completed. He reiterated the importance of documenting and sharing what CAP is accomplishing. Tess continued with an update of two proposed action items:

• Identify specific barriers

- 1. Working with the University of Illinois regarding help in conducting research to inform present CAP activities.
- 2. In discussions with Community Development concerning the creation of relevant stakeholder task forces.

• Organize education and outreach programs

- 1. Working with Community Development and appropriate partners in the creation of a green building tour that showcases energy-efficient design and upgrades in the community.
- 2. In discussions with the City of Champaign about potential collaboration on the promotion of EPA's Energy Star Building Challenge in the greater metro area.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Announcements

There were no announcements made.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.