



Capital Improvement Department

DATE: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: City Hall - *MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM, 2ND FLOOR*
300 N. Campbell
El Paso, Texas 79901

AGENDA FOR REGIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RREAC) MEETING

Attendance

Name	District	Position	Present
Frederic Dalbin	Mayor	Vice Chair	x
VACANT	1	Member	Not present
Crystal Arrieta	2	Member	Not present
Shelby Diego Ruff	3	Member	x
Blanca Gadney-Moss	4	Chair	x
Jonathan Childress	5	Member	x
Fareed Issa Klayel	6	Member	Not present
Xavier Miranda	7	Member	x
Gustavo Arriaga	8	Member	x
Eddie Gutierrez	N/A	El Paso Electric (EPE) Technical Advisor	Not present

1. Called to order at 5:30pm
 - a. Five (5) voting members present
 - b. Late Arrival: Jonathan Childress
2. Request to Excuse Absent Members
 - 2.1. District 1 Seat – Please pass along to your colleagues so the Council can fill the vacancy
 - 2.2. Some RREAC members have terms expiring on 3/3/2018, so please be sure to reach out to your City Council Representatives for reappointment
 - 2.3. Approved
3. Approval of Minutes from 12/13/2017 Meeting
 - 3.1 Approved
4. **Goal 7:** Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network
 - 4.1. Discussion and action on establishing subcommittees and identifying action steps (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)
 - 4.1.1. Discussion on February 2018 cross-training (Fred Dalbin, Vice Chair)
 - 4.1.1.1. P and I staff prefer Fridays and would like two sessions so they can stagger their staff being out of the office (Lauren Baldwin, Staff)

Mayor
Dee Margo

City Council

District 1
Peter Svarzbein

District 2
Alexandra Annello

District 3
Cassandra H. Brown

District 4
Sam Morgan

District 5
Dr. Michiel R. Noe

District 6
Claudia Ordaz Perez

District 7
Henry Rivera

District 8
Cissy Lizarraga

City Manager
Tommy Gonzalez



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- 4.1.1.2. Solar Foundation will lead the training for us once we decide on a date and they can check the availability of their staff. Could offer a live presentation with the ability for a Q and A session. (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)
- 4.1.1.3. We'd like to send out a short survey before the installer feedback session and cross-training to gather feedback ahead of time (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)
- 4.1.2. Discussion on City of El Paso Carbon-Free Goals and Renewable Energy Goals (coordination with SolSmart)
 - 4.1.2.1. We need to ask the Mayor and City Council to commit to renewable energy goals for the community and municipality (Shelby Ruff, Member and Gustavo Arriaga, Member)
 - 4.1.2.2. It's our task to give them that information to help establish these goals (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)
 - 4.1.2.3. The Solar Foundation sent us a few great examples from other cities (added to Urban Energy Plan draft document) (Lauren Baldwin, Staff)
 - 4.1.2.4. First step would be to do a feasibility study of which City facilities could be covered with solar and then come up with a reasonable target or goal (either a % or a MW amount) and date and a standard (Shelby Ruff, Member)
 - 4.1.2.5. It would be beneficial to request solar data (how many total kW installed, is it growing, etc.) from El Paso Electric. This will help us establish goals. Motion to request City Council to request this information from EPE (# of installations, total kW installed, etc.) (Fred Dalbin, Vice Chair). Motion passes.
 - 4.1.2.6. It's important to highlight the social, economic, and environmental benefits of these goals (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)
 - 4.1.2.7. Motion made for each RREAC member to come to the next meeting with 8-10 goals/ recommendations so we can combine them and



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come up with a draft (Shelby Ruff, Member).

Motion passes.

- 4.1.3. Discussion on ambassadorship subcommittee and development of presentation about SolSmart, RREAC, and renewable energy

- 4.1.3.1. Would like to present at the Neighborhood Association meetings and at the Neighborhood Coalition Summit (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)

- 4.1.3.2. Editorials would be great too (Xavier Miranda, Member)

- 4.1.4. Discussion on development of educational resources (digital and print)

- 4.1.4.1. I'm currently creating new documents for SolSmart and RREAC. I think we would need some basic information about renewable energy for the public (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)

- 4.1.4.2. We'd like to add any educational documents we create to the City's website (Blanca Gadney-Moss, Chair)

- 4.1.4.3. UTEP's creating a Masters Program for Renewable Energy (J.J. Childress, Member)

- 5. Adjourn at 6:45 pm. Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

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