City of Lake Forest Park Climate Action Committee Regular Meeting Summary February 6, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

Climate Action Committee Board Members Present:

Sarah Phillips, Miriam Bertram, Linda Holman, Brian Saunders, Anne Udaloy, Tamara Erickson, Jessica Côté, Matt Son, Dana Campbell

Staff and Others Present

Council Liaison - Tracy Furutani Environmental and Sustainability Specialist - Cory Roche

Member of the Public Present

Nigel Keiffer

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved unanimously, no objections.

REVIEW/APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Minutes for January were approved unanimously, no objection.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Climate Action Plan Status and Updates

The city is working to finalize the contract with Cascadia Consulting firm, once there has been signatures, a kickoff meeting will take place to begin their work on the CAC's Climate Action Plan.

A grant for climate planning has been awarded to the City. This will help update the environmental element of the Comprehensive Plan. More will come as to what the grant scope will include.

NEXT STEPS

Outreach to the City Council

Brian showed the kokanee artwork that will be incorporated in the CAP and future environmental work. Then went through a draft powerpoint of the CAP to present to Council and the planning commission once the CAP has been complete. The CAC can then take this to different community organizations to discussion with people what the CAP is and how we can become a resilient community moving forward.

Legislative Recommendations

Councilmember Furutani noted they will need to rank topics/ideas we want to talk to Council on in the future. Items like an environmental justice/climate note, private citizens who want to gift or sell their property to the city and how the city can sell or lease land, require the installation of electric vehicle chargers in new housing and to retrofit such chargers in existing housing, restrict the addition of new natural gas/methane lines and installations in multifamily and new constructions, zoning incentives to develop solar and electric energy with infrastructure improvements, municipal purchasing to meet federal preferred purchasing policy, and mandate affordable housing that meets high-level LEED standards through the building code.

Outreach to the Public

Dana put together a public outreach climate action list that includes items like the Green Fair and Farmers Market. Ideas include a show and tell of electronic bikes and cars, creating articles for the shoreline area news and newsletter on different topics, and more.

Coordination with Planning Commission

Mimi noted the goal is to answer what is the best way to coordinate with planning commission as they go through the comprehensive plan updates to incorporate the CAP. They will be meeting with the consultant to better understand and will make sure the CAC work is acknowledged.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the work plan and determination of percentages of effort

The CAC Work Plan was approved unanimously, no objections.

Other

Sarah has set up appointments with all council members to brief them of the CAC work.

The Green Fair will be March 30th at Third Place Commons.

ADJOURN: 8:00 PM