

# CITY OF URBANA SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

**DATE:** Tuesday, December 05, 2023

**TIME:** 7:00 PM

**PLACE:** 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

## **AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
  - 1. Minutes from October 3, 2023
- C. Public Input
- D. Presentations
  - 1. Household Hazardous Waste Update (Susan Monte)
  - 2. Staff Report
- E. Unfinished Business
- F. New Business
  - 1. Approval of 2024 Schedule of Sustainability Advisory Commission Meetings
- G. Adjournment

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

The City of Urbana welcomes Public Input during open meetings of the City Council, the City Council's Committee of the Whole, City Boards and Commissions and other City-sponsored meetings. Our goal is to foster respect for the meeting process, and respect for all people participating as members of the public body, city staff, and general public. The City is required to conduct all business during public meetings. The presiding officer is responsible for conducting those meetings in an orderly and efficient manner. Public Input will be taken in the following ways:

## **Email Input**

In order to be incorporated into the record, emailed public comments must be received prior to 5:00 pm on the day preceding the meeting and sent following email address: <a href="mailto:srtess@urbanaillinois.us">srtess@urbanaillinois.us</a>

The subject line of the email should include "PUBLIC INPUT", the board/commission name, and the meeting date. Emailed public comments labeled as such will be incorporated into the public meeting record, with personal identifying information redacted.

## Written Input

Any member of the public may submit their comments addressed to the members of the public body in writing. If a person wishes their written comments to be included in the record of Public Input for the meeting, the writing should so state. Written comments must be received prior to the closing of the meeting record (at the time of adjournment unless otherwise noted).

## Verbal Input

Protocol for Public Input is one of respect for the process of addressing the business of the City. Obscene or profane language, or other conduct that threatens to impede the orderly progress of the business conducted at the meeting is unacceptable. Public comment shall be limited to no more than five (5) minutes per person. The Public Input portion of the meeting shall total no more than two (2) hours, unless otherwise shortened or extended by majority vote of the public body members present. The presiding officer or the city clerk or their designee, shall monitor each speaker's use of time and shall notify the speaker when the allotted time has expired. A person may participate and provide Public Input once during a meeting and may not cede time to another person, or split their time if Public Input is held at two (2) or more different times during a meeting. The presiding officer may give priority to those persons who indicate they wish to speak on an agenda item upon which a vote will be taken. The presiding officer or public body members shall not enter into a dialogue with citizens. Questions from the public body members shall be for clarification purposes only. Public Input shall not be used as a time for problem solving or reacting to comments made but, rather, for hearing citizens for informational purposes only. In order to maintain the efficient and orderly conduct and progress of the public meeting, the presiding officer of the meeting shall have the authority to raise a point of order and provide a verbal warning to a speaker who engages in the conduct or behavior proscribed under "Verbal Input". Any member of the public body participating in the meeting may also raise a point of order with the presiding officer and request that they provide a verbal warning to a speaker. If the speaker refuses to cease such conduct or behavior after being warned by the presiding officer, the presiding officer shall have the authority to mute the speaker's microphone and/or video presence at the meeting. The presiding officer will inform the speaker that they may send the remainder of their remarks via e-mail to the public body for inclusion in the meeting record.

#### Accommodation

If an accommodation is needed to participate in a City meeting, please contact the City at least 48 hours in advance using one of the following methods:

Phone: 217.384.2455

Email: hro@urbanaillinois.us

## Watching the Meeting via Streaming Services

The meeting will be streamed live at <a href="https://livestream.com/urbana">https://livestream.com/urbana</a>. The recorded video will be available on the City's website.



## SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

TO: Urbana Sustainability Advisory Commission FROM: Scott R. Tess, Sustainability & Resilience Officer

DATE: December 5, 2023

RE: Staff Report

### Geothermal Urbana-Champaign

The bulk geothermal program has 11 contracts for 82 tons. The vendor is having success installing air source heat pumps at properties where geothermal wells cannot fit, totally 25 tons of capacity. The program surpassed the second declining price block of 75 tons, triggering additional rebates for participants totally \$400 per ton of installed capacity.

## Nature & Urban Biodiversity

The State of Illinois now has available a specialty Protect Monarchs license plate. The initial plate purchase provides \$10 to the Department of Natural Resources' Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund. Upon renewal, \$23 is allocated to the Fund.

### Solar Urbana-Champaign

The bulk solar program has secured 25 contracts at 190 kw. The second price decline is at 250 kw of capacity. The program got a late start this year, but may still hit that second benchmark.

## Landscape Recycling Center

On the Saturday following Halloween Champaign County Environmental Stewards volunteers helped 57 carloads compost pumpkins at the Landscape Recycling Center (LRC) in a Pumpkin Smash event. The estimate of pumpkins collected at LRC was 3,500 pounds. This total weight is more than double the weight of pumpkins collected at the previous year's Pumpkin Smash event.

Additionally, Students for Environmental Concerns (SECS) delivered approximately 200 pumpkins to the LRC. Using the average pumpkin weight of 8 lbs, this translates to 1600 lbs of pumpkins collected by SECS.



2024 Sustainability Advisory Commission Schedule

Date	Time	Room
2/6/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
3/4/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
4/1/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
5/7/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
6/4/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
8/6/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
10/1/2024	7pm	Council Chambers
12/3/2024	7pm	Council Chambers