

Minutes for EIC meeting 2/23/2023:

1. Call to Order (roll call)
 - a. Members: Anand, MikeS, Steve, Aileen, GeorgeL, April, Vrinda (joined late, left early)
 - b. Council, staff & guests: GeorgeT, RajivB, Birgitta Indaco, WooJae Kim (Public Works Director)
2. Agenda Review
 - a. Looks good, no changes requested.
3. Public Comment
 - a. GeorgeL introduced himself. Tech expert on energy issues; several startups since MIT, including EV charging (PowerFlex), etc. Also on Technology Committee.
 - b. Anand: Deborah asked us all to review the town's EIC website.
4. Minutes Approval: January Regular Meeting
 - a. Motion by Mike; seconded by Steve; unanimous
5. Committee Code of Conduct Update (Rajiv B)
 - a. Presented summary of notes from meeting with 6 committee chairs
 - b. Concerns: Agenda control, Restrictions on info and town vendors, etc.
 - c. George asked for copy of Rajiv's slides. New council subcommittee (GTyson & LSchmidt) are working on a new draft to float to others. Also may include a code of conduct for council liaisons.
 - d. Anand willing to make a motion; Steve suggested it wasn't necessary; April concurred – near unanimous consent from other committees against the first draft; Mike: didn't like the initial proposal but not opposed to the basic idea; GeorgeL: it was overreaching. Decision: no motion.
6. Scope for the Council Chambers HVAC Project (Heat Pumps) (Public Works Staff)
 - a. Anand: GeorgeL and Anand met with WooJae.
 - b. WooJae: Converting council HVAC system to heat pump. Wanted to clarify the scope... Requests to electrify all of town hall to get off gas.
 - c. Steve described the goal to be a demonstration of an all-electric town hall.
 - d. GeorgeL: Reviewed existing system. Recommends planning for all-electric, to make sure we make good decisions.
 - e. Birgitta: When were the systems installed? What is the ROI? WooJae said he would work on an ROI analysis as part of the project.
7. Reach Code Subcommittee Update (Vrinda)
 - a. Postponed by Vrinda's absence.
8. Budget Subcommittee Update (Anand)
 - a. In progress. No update yet.
9. GHG Subcommittee Update (Steve)
 - a. As of today, CSG has all the info they need to prepare inventories under last year's contract. Hopefully mere weeks away.
 - b. No contract revision yet to work on 2022 inventories, but it's in the budget.
10. Municipal Measures Subcommittee Update (Anand/George L)

- a. See item 6 above.
- 11. Community Measures Subcommittee Update (Steve)
 - a. Assessments: Good initial interest, but low completion rates. Discussion: allow both vendors to recommend contractors and receive referral fees?
 - i. MikeS: Otherwise how can they make money? They spent a few hours with him on his assessment. To avoid problems, maybe we can explain to residents upfront that the contractors can get referral fees if their recommended contractors do the work.
 - ii. Motion: EIC recommends to staff to allow referral fees for our two contractors. Steve moved, MikeS seconded, unanimous approval.
 - b. HPWH incentives: Only 2-4 so far! Perhaps high quotes discourage replacements (Pat, Srini, Vrinda). Perhaps we need to consider Direct install?
 - c. Streamline permitting: no current activity
 - d. Financing: SVCE Tariffed-On-Bill proposal undergoing CPUC review. GeorgeT: Could take a while.
- 12. [SVCE Grant Proposal](#) Update (Steve)
 - a. Contract done. Reimbursement model – \$70k for an electrification kiosk and website.
 - b. Cody suggests EIC subcommittee meet with Syserco.
 - c. New subcommittee formed: Steve & GeorgeL
- 13. Council Update (George T)
 - a. Subcommittee on code of conduct (see item 5)
 - b. Housing element; builder's remedy; Mayor's LOE. Staff is busy!
- 14. Odds and Ends (Anand)
 - 1. Electric Cars: Observed health and air quality benefits... even 20 out of 1000 makes a difference! So LAH is in good shape.
 - 2. Denver: E-Bike Rebates: Huge success! Steve testified that eBikes are wonderful in the hills.
 - a. PCE Direct Install Program: Starting in 2024. And Palo Alto is also doing one specifically for HPWHs. Steve/GeorgeT also reported that SVCE approved \$9M budget for a future direct install program, but no details yet.
 - b. GeorgeT: Responding to request by Steve to speak in favor of gas appliance ban at BAAQMD: he is working on getting approval from SVCE. All committee members are encouraged to make comments; link to testify is [here](#).
- 15. Next Meeting Update (Anand)
 - a. In person! In duxbury conf room. With beverages! But Anand has a conflict so MikeS will chair.
- 16. Agenda Requests for Next Meeting (3/23)
 - a. Steve proposed a discussion on Direct Install & volunteered to lead.
- 17. Adjournment at 7:47pm