



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

CITY-COUNTY TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC EQUITY

*Ald. Jonathan Brostoff and
Sup. Priscilla Coggs-Jones, Co-Chair*

*Pam Fendt, Linda Frank, Julie Kerksick, Ted Kraig, Janet
Meissner Pritchard, Supreme Moore Omokunde, Erick
Shambarger, Rafael Smith, and Freida Webb*

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12:00 PM

Virtual

Accountability Work Group

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1. Call to order and roll call.

Meeting convened: 12:05 P.M.

Members present:

*Julie Kerksick, Pam Fendt, Pam Ritger de la Rosa, Linda Frank, Jennifer Evans,
Supreme Moore Omokunde, Bruce Wiggins, Freida Webb, Chandra Staples (present
on behalf of Sup. Coggs-Jones), Gunnar Raasch Legislative Reference Bureau,
Joel Haubrich present just to listen, Erick Shambarger Environmental Collaboration
Office.*

2. Comments relating to the final version of the CCTFCEE Report and the Implementation Plan.

Ms. Kerksick expressed appreciation for the improvements in the latest reiteration of the plan. Comments need to be submitted to Mr. Shambarger by tomorrow. The implementation document does not speak very strongly to accountability in terms of keeping track of progress. Mr. Shambarger had created a Word document relating a

dashboard and other things to track funding. Ms. Kerksick and Ms. Frank would like to periodically have updates. A call-out box was added to the draft report, with 4 bullet points (report sustainability commitments and actions on the city website; ECO will do a bi-annual communication file to the Steering and Rules committee ; periodic updates on the City Greenhouse Gas Inventory at least every couple of years; and semi-regular reporting on progress on ACEEE's Clean Energy Scorecard).

Mr. Shambarger said the Client View Dashboard seemed to be a good start for this year and they will know more once they actually start using it. Ms. Ritger thought you could delve down quite a bit into the details with this dashboard, classify them and put the city's programs into the tool. The only delay right now is getting legal review, although Mr. Shambarger doesn't think it will actually be an issue.

Ms. Webb asked what the follow up will be to ensure that the job and equity goals are being met. Ms. Kerksick noted that the Office of Equity and Inclusion is the key reporting body as to how low-income residents are included. Ms. Kerksick supports the use of technology/a dashboard for efficiency in creating reports (which won't just be shelved) and the reports to Steering and Rules Committee will maintain the focus of elected officials. Mr. Wiggins said there was such strong citizen involvement up until this point, that he would like to have that continue and make sure there is effective accountability. Ms. Frank recommended having the progress tracked in the dashboard, rather than doing periodic updates, and this would be updated prior to the communication file.

Ms. Evans still has concerns about the Climate View database as she doesn't believe it tracks progress. Ms. Ritger believes it can track progress (in terms of being behind, moving ahead).

The first contract with Climate View with the city will go through the end of February. The city will have it for a year and then will assess how it is working by the end of the year.

Ms. Kerksick would prefer "periodic" rather than "semi-regular" for the reports. Ms. Frank suggested including the ACEEE score card reports as part of the periodic reports; Mr. Shambarger will include the score card ranking as part of the report. The score card will score us even if citizens haven't decided something was a priority and there are a lot of policies we can't pass due to state restrictions.

Ms. Evans moved to support the four points that Mr. Shambarger proposed. These points will be incorporated into the implementation portion of the plan. There were no objections.

Ms. Evans said there is a transition team of about 12 people, with people of color included. The intention is to follow the proposal that was approved by the task force and will look at how to engage the public. A steering team will be created. Ms. Webb supports Mr. Wiggin's support of citizen involvement. Our Future Milwaukee is working on setting up the coalition to advocate for the plan. Ms. Ritger thinks the Our Future Milwaukee will function as an advocacy body. Ms. Evans noted that Our Future Milwaukee is an independent group of citizens with no ties to the city or county.

In summary: the body accepted the 4 accountability points suggested by Mr. Shambarger

They will highlight the creation and role of Our Future Milwaukee as the task force sunsets.

Mr. Wiggins will send Ms. Kerksick his points about public involvement and she will mention them at the Task Force meeting.

Mr. Moore Omokunde said people only show up when the work is yielding something, so we need to make sure that something is being yielded and that is what Our Future

Milwaukee will be doing.

Ms. Kerksick will work with the county to clarify how they will respond to the final report and follow up on it.

*Meeting adjourned: 1:07 P.M.
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