



# City of Milwaukee

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## Meeting Minutes

### CITY-COUNTY TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC EQUITY

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9:00 AM

Virtual

#### Greening the Grid Work Group

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Or call in (audio only): 414-251-0392 860533280#

*Meeting convened from 9:03 am to 10:00 am*

*Members Present:*

*Erick Shambarger- City of Milwaukee*

*Steve Hinkens- Milwaukee County*

*Jedd Winkler: Aurora Health Care;*

*Andrew Holmstrom- Arch Electric*

*Mariela Paz- MWERC*

*Pam Ritger- Clean Wisconsin*

*Member of the Public:*

*Ken Blaeske- IBEW*

*Nathan Jurowski- Building Advantage*

#### 1. Overview of City County Task Force and Structure of Working Group.

*Erick Shambarger provided an overview of the City County Task Force work to date and its structure*

#### 2. Discussion on state of renewable energy market and regulation in Wisconsin.

*Erick Shambarger discussed energy regulation in Wisconsin, the role of electric utilities and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. He noted We Energies*

*clean energy plans as they had presented to the whole CCTFCEE. Pam Ritger discussed corporate sustainability goals and the desire of corporate buyers to procure renewable energy; Andrew Holmstrom discussed the need for green jobs for people of color; Ken Blaeske note the training role they play and their ability to meet Residence Preference Program requirements.*

**3, Discussion on City of Milwaukee’s current “All of the Above” strategy on renewable energy.**

*Erick Shambarger described Mayor Barrett’s “All of the Above” solar strategy, including the role of rooftop solar and the role of utility scale solar. He noted the City’s participation in the Solar Now program at a landfill near the airport, and the need to look at the DRER tariff.*

**4. Next steps in planning process.**

*The group discussed a range of possible strategies:*

- i. Using the DRER Tariff*
- ii. Advocating for a new green tariff structure*
- iii. Expanding Rooftop solar*
- iv. Advocating for greater utility investment in renewable energy for all customers as part of their regulated structure*
- v. Working with We energies on community solar*
- vi. Virtual Power Purchase Agreements outside the DRER*
- b. The group discussed bringing more corporate buyers into the “Education and Outreach” section of the Greening the Grid Report.*
- c. Jedd Winkler indicated he would do research on green tariffs offered by other utilities.*

*Meeting adjourned: 10:00 A.M.*

*Minutes prepared by Erick Shambarger, Chair.*