

The meeting of the Environment and Climate Committee (ECC) was called to order at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2021, online and by phone.

Roll Call: Bill Welch, Kavi Chokshi, Kellie Jensen, Kersey Marion, Mark Buckley, Neil Baunsgard, Peter Grube, Rory Isbell, Serena Dietrich, Tess Gardner (alternate), Anne Birky (ex officio), Sasha Sulia (ex officio)

Absent: Kersey Marion, Anne Birky

1. Approval of minutes from 11/10/2021 ECC Meeting

Member Welch moved to approve the November 10, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Jensen seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

2. Public Comment

Barb Rumer, Pollinator Pathway's Bend Volunteer, appreciates all that the City is doing for increasing pollinator gardens and encourages the ECC to consider putting out a general proposition to say no to the Neonicotinoid.

3. Updates

Ex-Officio Member Sasha Sulia joined the meeting around 11:07 a.m.

Chair Baunsgard presented an update on the ECC Priority Progress.

4. Bike Rack

Members discussed adding the following topics to the ECC bike rack:

- Possible presentation from the City of Eugene on electrification
- Steven's Road Tract
- Have a sponsor for each bike rack item to present updates and progress

Member Chokshi to work with the Chair and Vice-Chair on the bike rack sponsors process and follow up with the ECC at the January meeting.

5. Water Management and Conservation Plan

Member Dietrich joined the meeting around 11:20 a.m.

Mike Buettner, Utility Department Director, Patrick Griffiths, Water Resource Manager, Dan Denning, Program Manager and Aubrie Koenig, Barney and Worth Senior

Associate, presented the following slides on Part 3: WaterWise Program Future and Next Steps:

- WaterWise Program
- What's the Game Plan?
- November 10, 2021 Meeting Recap
- How Bend Uses Water: Outdoor a Key Focus
- How Bend Uses Water: Single-Family a Key Focus
- Existing Regulations and WaterWise Programs
- Advice on Policy-Level Areas
 - Survey Feedback – How aware of the WaterWise Program do you feel community members are currently?
 - Survey Feedback – Do you think Bend should continue focusing on education or shift to enforcement to promote existing water waste regulations?
 - Additional Discussion
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 - Survey Feedback – If new standards/codes are mandatory, how quickly do you think those should be implemented?
 - Additional Discussion
- Advice for Technical Work Group
 - Preliminary Technical Work Group Plan
 - Survey Feedback
- Next Steps
 - Where Do We Go from Here?
 - What Will the Memo Look Like?

6. Chair & Vice Chair

Member Dietrich presented an overview of the Chair and Vice-Chair roles and discussed the voting process.

7. Sub-groups – Report Out

a. Climate Friendly & Equitable Community Rulemaking

Member Isbell presented the following updates on the Climate Friendly and Equitable Community Rulemaking:

- Started by the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) because of the Governor's Executive Order which will direct multiple State agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions across the State
- The transportation sector is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in the State

- It will require metropolitan areas in the State, including Bend, to designate climate friendly areas – high density, mixed use neighborhoods that rely on the automobile is greatly reduced – building different types of transportation in those areas
- Will require electric vehicle charging sites in new development of a certain size,
- Will require cities to either remove or significantly amend their minimum parking standards
- Will require cities to change how they measure the performance of their transportation systems
- A letter to the DLCD Rulemaking Advisory Committee has been drafted shared that their work is in line with the work the ECC is doing (how can the ECC be more unified with Council on this?)

Member Isbell to send out lessons learned to review at the January ECC meeting.

Mary Winters, City Attorney, to schedule a meeting with the Climate Friendly and Equitable Community Rulemaking Subgroup and other appropriate staff. Councilor Campbell volunteered to be a part of the subgroup.

8. Agenda Setting

Member Baungard discussed the following future agenda items:

- January 2022
 - ECC Chair and Vice-Chair Election
 - REACH Code
 - Subgroup Report and Action
- February or March
 - City of Prineville - Biomass Project

9. Adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla M. Duddy
Deputy City Recorder