



CITY OF BEND

Minutes

Bend Economic Development Advisory Board (BEDAB)

Monday, May 2, 2022

Virtual Meeting-Via Zoom

Noon BEDAB Meeting

Roll Call: Travis Davis- Chair, Keith Dodge-Vice Chair, Lisa Goodman-Vice Chair, Briana Manfrass, Kevin Cole.

Jim Sansburn, Ken Betschart, Kevney Dugan, Don Myll- Ex Officio.

Councilor Perkins-Council Liaison

1. Public Input

Morgan Greenwood, new COBA staff member introductions.

2. Approve April 11 Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item #4 under the motion section. Name change from “Brenda” Manfrass as a second to the correct spelling “Briana” Manfrass.

Briana Manfrass made motion to approve minutes, Lisa Goodman seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

3. Bend EV Plan Overview | Cassie Lacy & Consultant Team

City of Bend adopted Community Climate Action Plan, (CCAP), in 2019 and part of the plan was to develop an electric vehicle, (EV), readiness plan. There will be significant federal funding for electric vehicle infrastructure over the next few years, so developing this plan now will help us to be ready to leverage those funds. For this reason, HDR consulting firm was hired.

- Purpose is to increase EV's in Bend with Goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and to aid in Bend reaching Climate Friendly Goals.
- A Community wide survey was sent out in February/March 2022.
- Primary barriers: Cost, battery charge length, vehicle cost and availability.
- Opportunities for expansion, tourism. Those traveling from urban areas need a place to “plug” in.
- Key factors encouraging and discouraging EV use/adoption: Charger locations, price of gas, user experience, incentives, more trucks and SUV options, battery replacement, local maintenance and service, commuters from outside of Bend.

Consultant team shared detailed PowerPoint presentation of their EV findings, assessments and recommendations.

Cassie Lacy to keep Ben Hemson updated about future Council discussions regarding the EV.

4. Homelessness Update | Megan Perkins

City Council-will hold their first public meeting this Wednesday May 7, 2022 at 7:00pm. The subject discussed will be, "Public Hearing on Shelter Code Amendments". The public will be able to give testimony and feedback on this amendment.

Joint office-Joint meeting was held with Deschutes County, Sisters, Redmond, and La pine. In the process of putting together an IGA. There is going to be a Board of Directors, which will be one elected official from each of those cities and the county that will oversee the office.

Executive Director- job description is complete, office should be operational by this summer and slated to be ran out of the Rainbow Motel.

Division Street Shelter Formerly Bend Value Inn-Starting renovations, therefore, they will be relocating Division street shelter residence to Rainbow Motel. Once renovations are complete the relocated residence will be moved back to this location. Neighbor Impact will continue running this shelter.

Administrative ROW policy-City Manager's office can request that campsites be removed within 72 hours if the campsite(s) is spilling over into the street or sidewalk. City Council is looking at developing a Municipal camping code. It is to include, the where, the when, and the how ones can camp in the community.

5. BEDAB Scheduling & Logistics | Ben Hemson

If this group is comfortable we will have first "in person" meeting June 6, 2022 along with a virtual meeting option for folks who do not feel comfortable meeting in a large group. These meetings will be held in Council chambers.

Issued intent to award DMO RFP to Visit Bend. Ben would like to hold two meetings, one where Kevney and his team present on the business plan and then a gap where we can receive feedback from room tax remitters and the business community at large. Would BEDAB be up for a special meeting May 23, 2022 noon to 1?

Council approved pilot program for committee members stipend. The stipend will be \$40 per meeting up to 12 meetings per year. Just under \$500 per participant per year. There will also be an opt out option.

➤ *BEDAB to forego regular July meeting.*

6. BEDAB Strategic Plan | Group

Strategic plan, once approved, Ben will get it into a work session and Megan to "Tee" it up.

7. Future Topics or Discussion Items (Time Permitting) | Group

Keith Dodges term is up sometime in September and October.

Jamie Klopp's seat is vacant due to his relocation out of state.

Bend Sustainability Fund application to open in July.

In June there will be an update on revised Council goals, wants to get in front of BEDAB by June 15, 2022 the revised goals.

8. Adjourn 1:37pm

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[May 2, 2022 meeting](#)

Upcoming Meetings:

May 4: City Council | Remote, 7 p.m., Public Hearing: Shelter Code

May 18: City Council | Remote, 5 p.m., Enterprise Zone 5-Year Abatements (Consent Agenda)

May 30: Advocacy Subcommittee | Remote, Noon

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