

**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS  
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
Council Chambers  
Tuesday, May 6, 2014**

**Commissioners Present:** Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Bart Bartels, Todd Rusk, Andrew Stumpf, Rachel Vellenga, Ryan Wolber

**Staff Present:** Scott Tess, Kate Brickman

**Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Ms. Ryan welcomed the newest Commissioner, Andrew Stumpf.

**Changes to the Agenda**

There were no changes to the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Motion was made by Ms. Vellenga, second by Mr. Bartels, to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

**Public Input**

There was no public input.

**Communications**

***Staff Report***

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report that included updates on various Goals and Actions from the Climate Action Plan and the Sustainable Water Management Plan and an update on Progress for both. The report also included information charts and graphs detailing City facility building and irrigation water use, and addressed various U-Cycle activities as well as staff involvement in a food scrap composting pilot project at Urbana Middle School.

The Report noted June 3 as the next meeting date.

**Continuing Business**

***Climate Impact and Adaptation pursuant to the Climate Action Plan – Presentation by Jim Roberts, Environmental Health Director, Champaign-Urbana Public Health District***

Jim Roberts, Environmental Director of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District discussed climate change projections and the potential health implications for Central Illinois and how the District is planning and preparing.

### ***Discussion of Climate Impacts and Implications***

Scott Tess provided a summary of the speakers so far this year that have presented to SAC on the topic of climate change adaptation. With this additional information from various entities, Tess hopes to have Phase 2 of the Climate Action Plan finished by the end of the year.

### **New Business**

#### ***Urbana Greenhouse Gas Inventory***

Scott Tess provided an overview of the ICLEI ClearPath greenhouse gas accounting software. Staff is using a fresh dataset to recalculate the baseline inventory to ensure consistency between the baseline measurement and measurements in subsequent years. He noted the ICLEI has offered to do some quality control to make sure the numerous facets of the program are being utilized correctly.

#### ***Sole Source Aquifer Public Comment***

Scott Tess provided a Sole Source Aquifer Public Comment draft memo to forward to U.S. E.P.A. on behalf of SAC. In discussion, Andrew Stumpf suggested changing the wording of the fifth sentence to as follows:

*The Aquifer supports agriculture by providing a **sufficient and reliable** source of clean water for irrigation and other rural and farm-related uses.*

Motion was made by Ms. Vellenga, second by Mr. Wolber, to forward the memo to City Council for their consideration. Motion carried.

### **Announcements**

Scott Tess announced the following:

- Rain Barrel and Compost Bin Sale on May 17, 2014 at the corner of S. Vine Street and E. Green Street in Urbana.
- May is Bike to Work Month and Bike to Work Day is May 15, 2014.
- Sole Source Aquifer informational meeting on May 13, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. followed by a formal public hearing from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign.

Mr. Wolber announced the Illinois Green Business Association's Illinois Green Business Ally Program. The program will help organizations grow a more sustainable business model.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.