



**SACEE
DRAFT MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
October 19, 2016**

Board Members in Attendance: Sonia Marcus, John Noor, Geoffrey Habron, Duncan McPherson, Josh O’Conner, Mindy Wudarsky

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Geoffrey Habron motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Duncan McPherson seconded. Motion was approved unanimously

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. UPDATES

a. EITF Update: Sonia Marcus and Julie Mayfield

Ms. Sonia Marcus provided an update on the Energy Innovation Task Force (EITF). The EITF has received information on the Duke Energy forecasts, which determined the need for the peaker plant. Ms. Marcus described the information that was discussed at the recent EITF meeting and how the group intends to move forward. Mr. Geoffrey Habron inquired about the City’s abilities to forecast through permitting. Members discussed the City’s tracking abilities and the data that EITF is collecting from Duke Energy.

b. Food Policy Update: Kiera Mulvey Bulan

Ms. Bulan provided updates on the Asheville-Buncombe Food Policy Council and her new role as the Food Policy Coordinator. Ms. Bulan also discussed the organization’s partnership with the City and the scope of work that they will be working on with staff.

c. Waste Subcommittee: Mindy Wudarsky and Lael Gray

Ms. Mindy Wudarsky provided an update about the last subcommittee meeting. The group is working to take look at what is being captured in the waste stream and where there are opportunities. The request for information for PAYT has gone out and the group will be looking at the lifecycle of organics.

d. SACEE November Meeting - Climate Resiliency Planning

Members decided to invite other board and commission chairs to the next SACEE meeting to learn about climate resiliency planning.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Update on Council Strategic Goals: Cathy Ball

Ms. Cathy Ball will come to SACEE's strategic planning meeting in December to provide more details about Council's vision and action plan.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Facilities Master Plan: Nikki Reid

Mr. James Ayers provided an overview of the facilities master planning process. The plan is currently in the conceptual planning phase and will go through an RFQ process. Mr. Ayers described the purpose of the plan and the areas that it will address. Members inquired about the approach to the process and differences from the past. Members discussed factors involved in the plan assessment and how the City evaluates its properties.

b. Community Partner Conversation: Sam Ruark, WNC GBC

Mr. Sam Ruark from the Green Buildings Council provided a background about the organization and the type of programs and initiatives that they are involved in. The organization is concerned with how to create buildings that address the economy, equity and environment.

c. SACEE Annual Strategic Planning Meeting

Members discussed the annual strategic planning meeting, which will occur in December. Ms. Sonia Marcus proposed to move the meeting up to December 14th. Members discussed the time and location of the meeting.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Sam Ruark commented on the facilities master plan and recommended benchmarking for all facilities and looking at Portfolio Manager from the EPA to compare to others.

6. ADJOURN

Chair Sonia Marcus adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m. without objection.