

**CITY GREEN TASK FORCE
MEETING April 1, 2010
Approved Minutes**

Members Present:

John Decarion
Harvey Hathaway
Patti Lodge
Michelle Parenti
Ira Raab
Louise Reed
Arnold Rimm
Janet Schreiber
Carol Shein
Al Vazquez, Chair

Staff and Commissioners Present:

Penni Redford
Suzanne Schluter

Call to Order/Sign In/Changes to Agenda

- Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM.
- Chair Al Vazquez recognized the core group that has been working diligently on the Task Force's Draft Report: Patti Lodge, Carol Shein, Harvey Hathaway, Louise Reed, Janet Schreiber, Michelle Parenti, and Erin Deady.

Minutes

- *Approval of 2/4/10 minutes was postponed until the next meeting.*

Unfinished Business

- **e4 Sustainability Summit – Penni Redford, Sustainability Manager**
 - Update: We're expecting 500 people, 210 are registered so far. Conservation kits that will be given to the first 350 to register contain: three fluorescent bulbs, a hose nozzle, rain gauge, low flow shower head, toilet bank, shower timer, night-light, drip meter, aerators for bathroom and kitchen faucets, leak detection dye tablets pack, refrigerator thermometer, air conditioning filter whistle, energy and water wheels. The kits were provided by the U.S. Department of Energy Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant and the bag is made from recycled plastic bottles.
 - In addition the Library and the Sustainability Office have been working together on a Go Green, Save Green kit, which will contain several books, a "Kill A Watt" meter and an assortment of components that the patrons can keep. There will be 10 kits available for check out from the library for a two week period.
- **Sustainability Web-site Update**
 - We are continuing to make improvements on the website and now have almost all of the past CGTF minutes and presentations available on the site. www.wpb.org/sustainability.

New Business

- **Presentation and Discussion of City Green Task Force Draft Report**
 - Chair Al Vazquez presented the draft report attached. Some of the main new ideas were: Eco-municipality and Natural Step, Environmental Management System, and the United Nations Urban Environmental Accords - Green Cities Declaration. Al pointed out that these things bring an overarching reasoning to the recommendations.
 - Michelle Parenti presented the Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens subcommittee part of the report.
 - Areas in red are areas where narrative or more research is needed. Blue is where items have been added or where there are questions that needed to be reviewed by the Task Force.
 - Members were asked to send any comments or changes to the Sustainability office at sustainability@wpb.org for inclusion in the report.
 - The importance of including metrics was mentioned.
 - Whether or not to include wording allowing homeowner's associations to opt out was discussed. Penni Redford reminded the Task Force that these are recommendations and that as they will be incorporated into the City's Sustainability Plan; they will be looked at in respect to homeowner's association's rights and compatibility with laws of other entities.

Public Comments

Allowed throughout the discussion

Future Meetings

- Meetings:
 - April 15, 2010, 4-6 PM, Flagler Gallery – Alternative Energy and Energy Conservation – Solar Farm
 - May 6, 2010, 4-6 PM, Planning and Zoning General Planning Area, 2nd Floor - Climate Change Adaptation related to Water Resources
 - May 20, 2010, 4-6 PM, Flagler Gallery - Climate Adaptation and Resiliency
 - Draft report will be presented to full Task Force for revision and approval.
- Tentative Work Sessions:
 - Thursday, April 29, 4 - 6 PM, Library Hibiscus Room
 - Thursday, May 13, 4 - 6 PM, Library Hibiscus Room
 - Thursday, May 27, 4 - 6 PM, Library Hibiscus Room

Adjourn

- ***Ira Raab made a motion to adjourn. Patti Lodge seconded the motion.***
Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.