CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Council Chambers, Urbana City Building Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Stacy Gloss (phone), Morgan Johnston, Beth Meschewski (phone), Todd Rusk, Andrew Stumpf

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Mr. Wald, second by Mr. Stumpf, to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Communications

Staff Report

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report which included progress on the Climate Action Plan (CAP) Phase 2, highlighting amendments to the power purchase agreement document, a potential opportunity for future facilities electricity purchasing, and U.S. Department of Energy Solsmart designation.

Associated with Public Engagement, Tess mentioned staff involvement with University of Illinois planning classes and students during Sustainability Week.

Additionally, an update on the results of the U-Cycle co-sponsored countywide residential electronics recycling collection event held on October 15.

The Report stated December 6, 2016 as the next meeting date.

Continuing Business

Compact of Mayors Climate Hazards

Scott Tess provided an update on the Compact of Mayors document that aims to capture the impact of cities' collective actions through standardized measurement and reporting of emissions and climate risk.

Stormwater Utility

Scott Tess delivered a memo from Assistant City of Urbana Engineer for Drainage and Development Brad Bennett that provided additional details concerning the presentation given on Urbana's storm water management system last month.

Youth Engagement

Aiden Rivera-Rogers, the head of the Sustainability Club at Urbana High School, gave an update on group activities and answered questions from the Commission.

New Business

Senate Bill 0116 PACE Resolution

Included in the packet was a draft resolution provided by Ms. Gloss written to the Mayor and the City Council in support of the establishment of a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program for commercial properties in Urbana, Illinois.

The Illinois General Assembly SB0116 would authorize the creation of "green special services areas" allowing energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements.

Upon discussion and revision, a motion was made by Ms. Johnston, second by Mr. Rusk, to submit the resolution as edited to the Mayor and City Council. Motion carried.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.