# CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

# Council Chambers, Urbana City Building Tuesday, June 2, 2015

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

**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.

Marya Ryan thanked Ms. Vellenga for her service, insights and contributions as a member of the Commission the past few years. This will be her last meeting.

#### **Changes to the Agenda**

Item 6a (Presentation on Accessible Recreational Waters Analysis) will be presented after the Staff Report.

### **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Motion was made by Ms. Johnston, second by Ms. Vellenga, to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2015 meeting. An error in the spelling of Ms. Johnston's name was noted and all were in agreement to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

#### **Public Input**

There was no public input.

## **Communications**

# Staff Report

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report that included progress for the Climate Action Plan (CAP) Phase 2 highlighting the areas of local onsite renewable energy markets, the U-C ENERGY STAR Challenge, Bike to Work Day participation, City website content describing various green building related propositions.

Related to the Sustainable Water Management Plan, Tess mentioned an analysis being spearheaded by the Regional Planning Commission in regard to public access goals for recreational waters in Urbana and a City hosted rain barrel and compost bin sale.

Additionally, the report noted a City Green Team update, the Council approved amendment bringing the City Code into conformity with Federal definitions of pollution control facilities, , and miscellaneous electronics recycling concerns.

The Report stated July 7 as the next meeting date.

## Progress update on Sustainable Water Management Plan

Scott Tess provided a handout and gave an update on the progress made in regard to the Sustainable Water Management Plan since Council approval in 2013. The report indicated that 63% of the tasks are complete with 34% in progress and 3% in queue. Tess went through the tasks item by item and Commissioners interacted with questions, comments and discussion.

Ms. Ryan and Scott Tess indicated that a similar process will be undertaken the next month with the Climate Action Plan.

### **Continuing Business**

### Presentation on Accessible Recreational Waters Analysis

(Presented immediately after staff report)

Kathleen Oldrey, Planner II with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, provided the Commission with the *Accessible Water Inventory of the City of Urbana*. Oldrey's presentation assessed the current amount of public access to and use of recreational waters within the City. The inventory was produced using Champaign County GIS Consortium data.

### **New Business**

There was no new business to address.

### **Announcements**

Ms. Johnston announced the creation of a Climate Action Team. Interested person are invited to meet on the patio at the Iron Post in Urbana at 6pm on June 3.

Marya Ryan announced that the Center for Renewable Energy at Illinois State University was holding the Illinois Renewable Energy Conference on July 16 in Normal. More information is available at <a href="mailto:renewableenergy.illinoisstate.edu/events/conferences/renewableenergyconf2015.php">renewableenergy.illinoisstate.edu/events/conferences/renewableenergyconf2015.php</a>.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.