

West Linn Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting

WebEx Virtual Meeting

8/20/20, 6-7:30pm

Attendance	Board: Cindy Ellison, Kim Bria, Terry Shumaker, Greg Smith, Victoria Meier, Andra Sigailis Council Liaison: Councilor Teri Cummings Staff Liaison: Chris Myers Guests: None
Mission	From the Charter (Mission): The Sustainability Advisory Board is committed to collaborating with government and residents to improve the quality of life in West Linn by advancing stewardship of our environmental, social, and economic resources that is equitable for all present and future generations.

1. Public Comment

- None

2. Check-ins / Updates

- Chris mentioned new member, who will remain a mystery for now
- Cindy in Vancouver BC with family for few months
- Terry is staying home gardening
- Victoria retired from CCC & got an electric car
- Kim is keeping track of food security & Covid/environmental issues
- Teri is gardening and is concerned about the increased waste of resources during Covid
- Andra is gardening and working with kids
- Greg Smith is gardening and kayaking

3. Review Action Items from past meeting(s)

<u>Month</u>	<u>Action Item</u>	<u>Status</u>
June/19	Chris will continue work on ROW, park and open space overlay map	Pending
June/19	Chris will get us a work session date with the city council	Pending
October/19	Mayor Axelrod will contact AMERESCO about a city energy audit	Pending?
January	Cindy/Victoria will work on proposal to council about Leaders in Sustainability	Pending
February	Chris will call library director about feasibility of solar with new roof	Pending
February	Chris will report on energy efficiency upgrades at Robinwood Station	Done
February	Victoria to report on new Rosemont NA community garden when feasible	Pending
April	All to review and edit Greg's listing of goals and strategies concerning climate action	Done
April	Andra to work on an educational video on chemical free gardening	Done

April	Chris and Terry to continue information gathering for SAB portion of city website	Pending
April	Kim/Victoria will collaborate on possible native plants for the new planting beds in Old Willamette	Done

4. Review / Approve May Meeting Notes

Summary Approved April Meeting Notes

Discussion None

5. Agenda Topic 5 - Climate Action Plan for Sustainability Strategic Plan (new Appendix C)

Summary Everyone agreed to submit edits of rough draft back to Terry. Verbiage of original document must remain intact, and edits would only reflect relevance of goals and strategies to climate action.

Discussion Discussion included relevance of some topics such as Water, Health and Food to the reduction of greenhouse gasses. Final version of Appendix C to be submitted to city council for approval, then incorporated into the *Sustainability Strategic Plan* (SSP). In the future, provide links on the meeting agenda to any published document referred to on the agenda. Excess use of water by the city was discussed and determined to be an issue needing further discussion and possible inclusion in the new *Strategies for Climate Action* document. (See #8 “Review New Action Items” on p. 3.) Since the SSP contains outdated information it was agreed that the document should be updated in the near future.

6. Agenda Topic 6 - Website update

Summary Updates needed for entire SAB website pages.

Discussion Everyone agreed to get all revision ideas to Terry and he will send out a rough layout for the revised website. This should include all possible sustainability information and/or resources for private citizens and businesses.

7. Agenda Topic 7 - Education Series

Summary This activity is on hold until we can determine what we can do and how we can do it.

Discussion Andra has no expertise in video creation but indicated that we could start a YouTube channel. We can also provide links on our new website to existing material that fits into the topics we included in our original education series of workshops.

8. Agenda Topic 8 - Unimproved Right-Of-Way Gardens/Plantings

Summary Further study is required to determine which ROWs may be eligible for gardens and/or native plantings, and if it is even feasible to explore this option.

Discussion Chris informed the SAB that the city has an aversion to using the ROWs for anything but what they currently are. Public works doesn't like the concept of ROWs being used for

anything that requires additional maintenance.

9. Review New Action Items

- **Chris** to get a work session date with city council
- **Chris** to get information on the sustainability equipment at Robinwood **station**
- **Chris** to get information on LED lighting for city buildings
- **Victoria** to research sustainable action process guide for county
- **Andra** to research YouTube channel creation and/or provide links for SAB website on information for gardening and related topics
- **Terry** to receive Sustainability Strategic Plan edits and add to new Appendix C
- **Terry** to create new document for city council containing additional goals and action items related to climate change issues. **All** to think of title for this new document. Working title is *“Proposed Strategies for Climate Action.”*
- **Teri** to research the purchase of hybrid vehicles for the city
- **Chris** to get information on water used by city
- **Kim** to get information on vehicle charging stations at city buildings and send to Terry for new document