



Albuquerque Energy Council Minutes

Department of Municipal Development
1801 4th Street Bldg. B Conference Room
Wednesday, August 21, 2019, 8:00 am to 10:00 am

Chair: Amy Miller

Members Present: Sanders Moore, Sandra McCardell, Ryan Centerwall, Tammy Fiebelkorn, Carlos Lucero, and Donna Griffin

Not Present: Michael Cecchini

➤ Introductions

New AEC member, Donna Griffin was introduced.

- August's Agenda approved
- July's Minutes approved

➤ PNM Direct Solar Presentation

Sherrick Roanhorse & Stella Chan with PNM presented on Tribal Energy Development. They are hopeful to have a 50MW facility built in Rio Arriba County. The facility will be located in the Jicarilla Apache Nation. There will be a public hearing held on September 18th. If completed & approved by the PRC, construction can take up to 9 months. The facility will be the 3rd largest solar array on tribal lands. The anticipated in-service date will be at the end of first quarter 2021.

The project will help the City of Albuquerque reach its sustainability goals. About 54% of City's power will come from the project.

Entities participating include:

- City of Albuquerque: 25MW
- Deming: 1MW
- Santa Fe County: 1.3MW
- Silver City: 1.0MW
- Grant County: .45MW
- Wal-Mart: 17.75MW
- Bernalillo County: 1.5MW

➤ City and AEC Updates

- Sustainability Updates, Kelsey Rader
 - PRC testimony has been submitted.
 - There are now 2 VW working groups developing applications for VW settlement funding for charging stations.
 - Heavy duty vehicles: City has been given \$2.7 million for electric buses. Four electric buses will be purchased.

- Solid Waste is purchasing 4 CNG refuse vehicles. CNG stations are being installed.
- More announcements on the Mayor's Energy Challenge to come in the next few months.
- Sustainability web page is being developed and should be operational at the end of September. The content will include visuals such as drone footage, interactive mapping systems, and pictures of where solar panels are located.
- *"Break up with your bag"* by January 2020. Solid Waste will be handing out free reusable bags at the Isotopes game on August 28th to encourage the community to give up on plastic bag usage.

- PPA Working Group, Ryan Centerwall

Nothing discussed. The PPA working group has been put on hold until further notice.

- Budget Increase Memo, Amy Miller

Saif is working on the memo.

- AEC Strategic Planning Work - Sanders Moore

Sanders will have an update next month.

- Public Comment and Announcement

August 25th: EV show at O'Neil's on Central from 10:00am to 1:00pm.

August 24th: Community Solar event at Central & Unser Library.

September 1st: Deadline for PNM customer \$3,500 savings on Nissan Leaf purchases.

September 6th & 7th: NM Rising addressing climate disruption discussion held at UNM Continuing Education Center.

September 7th: EV vehicles will participate in the State Fair parade.

September 12th: EV day at the State Fair.

October 26th: Solar Fiesta event.

- Adjourn – 9:20am