Albuquerque Energy Council
Meeting Minutes

Department of Municipal Development 1801 4th Street Bldg. B
Wednesday, August 18th 2021, 8:00 am to 10:00 am (In office and Zoom)

Chair: Alex Montano
Members: Donna Griffin, Sandra McCardell, Ali Bidram, Carlos Lucero, Gabe Pacyniak

➢ Introduction 8:00 a.m

➢ Agenda – Motion to approve August Agenda (Approved)

➢ June meeting minutes- Motion to approve (Approved)

➢ Sandra’s has been renewed for another 3yr term (Congratulations!) Gabe will also be renewed for another 3yr term (Congratulations!)

➢ Free Paper on Energy use in Burquenos’ lives- Discussion presented by Donna Griffin
  • Recommendation for the paper to be in Spanish
  • Paper would include important information on Energy conservation in homes and benefits
  • Information on electric cars and the benefits
  • Carry forward as a discussion item in the AEC to go over scope and introduction

➢ COA ESMD Project Updates (Saif Ismail)
  • Water leak App for Iphone and Android- notification to facility maintenance personnel- $175,000 monthly savings
  • Resizing water meters send to Department managers for discussion
  • IGA (Year out)- Ongoing meetings and 60% presentation in October
  • LED lighting upgrade for South Broadway Cultural Center on going and around (50% complete)
  • Los Volcanos Senior Center going out for bid for LED lighting upgrade
  • North Valley Senior Center- looking into additional exterior lighting to reduce vandalism to facility
  • Applied for the Grid Modernization Grant from the State, we are the only city who applied and we received the Grant.
    - We are working on creating a “BRAIN” for all our software’s and controls that will communicate with each other. Create a much simple system for our Energy Division that will be able to monitor and control our assets.

➢ COA Sustainability Updates
  Urban Heat Mapping Event
  • Event was completed and great success and made front page of ABQ Journal!
  • Great first step and bring Awareness with the community and City departments

Climate Action Plan
  • Was formally adopted by city council and approved by council
• Discussion on similarities of climate action plan and Energy projects and how they work in conjunction with each other
• AEC discussion on expanding 3 to 5% CIP fund

➢ EV car show
  • Rides and check out EV cars, Saturday September 25th 2021
  • Reach out to Tom Sullivan

➢ Implementation Dashboard for Climate Action Plan
  • Where we are at and where we are headed
  • TBD probably late September early October

➢ Public Comment
  • Discussion on long term energy storage, is there any opportunity for it to be talked about

➢ Adjourn- Motion to Adjourn 9:03 a.m