



Agenda

SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION

October 23 2018, 3:30 p.m.

Councilors' Conference Room, First Floor, City Hall (200 Lincoln Ave.)

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NEXT MEETING: November 27 at Councilors' Conference Room, First Floor, City Hall (200 Lincoln Ave.)

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COUNCILOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY HALL, 200 LINCOLN AVE.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018, 3:30 PM**

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**SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION
COUNCILOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY HALL, 200 LINCOLN AVE.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018, 3:30 PM**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission was called to order by Beth Beloff, Chair, at 3:30 pm on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 in the Round House Conference Room, City Railyard Offices, 500 Market Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Beth Beloff, Chair
Mary Schruben
Kimberly Griego-Kiel
Bob Mang
Robb Hirsch
Trejinder Ciano

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kathy Holian, Excused
Dan Pava, Excused
Luke Spangenburg, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Shirlene Sitton, Director, Environmental Services, City of Santa Fe
Joe Eiger, Eldorado Recycling
Seth Roffman, Green Fire Times
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Beloff said she would like to add the Global Action Summit discussion to items from the Commission.

MOTION A motion was made by Ms. Griego-Kiel, seconded by Ms. Schruben, to approve the agenda as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2018 AND JULY 2018**

July 2018 Minutes

Mr. Mang said on page 7 the word should be synergy.

MOTION A motion was made by Ms. Griego-Kiel, seconded by Mr. Ciano, to approve the July minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

September 2018 Minutes

MOTION A motion was made by Ms. Schruben, seconded by Mr. Ciano, to approve the September minutes.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Beloff requested that the Commission continue to call out action items.

Chair Beloff asked that changing the meeting time to 3:00 pm be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

E. ACTION ITEMS REPORT

Chair Beloff said the Action Items Report will be in bullet format in the body of the minutes as follows. This list includes items from this meeting as well.

- Lisa Randall will be asked to present the Santa Fe Public Schools Sustainability Plan at the next meeting.
- Mr. Rothman, Green Fire Times, would like a schedule for articles and to print the Plan. He asked for the time table for the plan.
- Change time of meeting from 3:30 pm to 3:00 pm.
- Plan was presented to Council on October 10th. The Plan will now be presented to policy committees and the Resolution will be presented to Council in November for approval.
- Verde Fund: Chair Beloff will send the recent report to Commission members.

- Chair Beloff met with Siemens about the Coalition. Siemens and the Community College.
- Chair Beloff presented to the Water Conservation Committee and the City/County Food Policy Committee.
- Global Climate Action Summit comments and Gary Payton summary.
- Survey Monkey: Commissioner Ciano and Commissioner Schruben will work together to refine the four categories and will report back to the Commission.
- Speakers bureau: A list of Boards and Committees for presentations will be identified. A speakers bureau will be formed. Chair Beloff, Commissioner Schruben and Commissioner Griego-Kiel are included in the speakers bureau so far.
- Chair Beloff will send out as an addendum to the minutes the outcomes from the facilitated session.
- Commissioner Hirsch will share the soil survey with the Commission through Ms. Sitton. He would like feedback before November 15th.
- Chair Beloff will follow up with Ms. Bouchett on being a member of the Coalition for Clean Energy New Mexico.

Commissioner Schruben stated that when she attempted to complete the survey on Survey Monkey she was unable to enter the time and resources element for each of the four quadrants.

There was discussion around the survey.

Commissioner Hirsch commented that it was amazing that Commissioner Ciano did this for the Commission.

Commissioner Mang called into question the approach. He did Survey Monkey through the first 26 and gave up. We need a design for how you put the strategies together. Those questions should be asked after you decide what you are going to design to do. He would like to suggest we start over and create a working design for creating plans that integrate to plans as the strategies relate to each other and how they inform each other.

Chair Beloff said and that works with the synergies that we and Brindle spent a lot of time developing. If the strategies are grouped together in support of the synergies and turned into discrete projects within the plan framework it not only becomes easier to think in terms of resources and long term/ short term, but also an integrated finance plan. It becomes easier to wrap your arms around for implementation.

Commissioner Mang said as to the design his thinking is in a way an architect approaches a long term project. He would like to see the Commission look at the strategies and how they overlap for implementation. Some of them can be implemented in groups which could reduce the financial resources necessary for completion. The Departments involved in the various strategics need to be brought together to work as a group with outside entities and advocates to move forward.

There was a discussion around this idea.

Chair Beloff said she would like Mary to work with Trejinder on Survey Monkey and a subcommittee to look at the strategies and how they overlap as suggested by Bob.

Ms. Sitton said let staff digest the plan and figure out a way to go forward.

Mr. Mang said it is great if staff is going to do what he suggested. If they want comments from the Commission great.

Commissioner Schruben asked the results based economics will fit into this.

Ms. Sitton said yes. The first thing is identifying the metrics of how it can fit into the RBA. At the end of the day things that will be enacted will be things that can be enacted. Strategies already have the way they are laid out.

Commissioner Mang said that sounds good to him. He is concerned at looking at 91 strategies and determining what is first, second and third in priority and the kind of resources necessary. We are trying to create a look forward as to how we can be more sustainable. This requires not approaching things as we have in the past, in silos. We are responsible for trying to indicate the kind of paradigm and thinking that needs to go into implementing this plan.

Chair Beloff said when she presented to Water Conservation there were a lot of synergies that have to do with water in other strategies.

Commissioner Mang asked staff to do an implementation design and then to meet with the Mayor and City Manger after we look at the design and give our comments on that. We can give them an overview of the potential. It will be much easier to quantify what it will cost.

Chair Beloff said she agrees with that. Absolutely.

Chair Beloff said if it would be of value to Shirlene we could have a subcommittee of this Commission to conventionalize four or five projects.

Commissioner Griego-Kiel said we want to move forward as a Commission. We have to be very aware of what is happening with staff. She can see the anxiety. We need to be very aware of where staff is at.

Ms. Sitton said we need some time.

Commissioner Griego-Kiel said we need to say what some of the other things on our list are that we want to do such as building a coalition. Let staff wrap their heads around all the stuff we just threw at them.

Chair Beloff said maybe this is the right time for Shirlene to talk about next steps for adoption and implementation and where the Commission can be useful to her.

F. PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSION

1. DISCUSSION: 25 YEAR SUSTAINABILITY PLAN FINAL DRAFT VERSION AND ANTICIPATED NEXT STEPS FOR ADOPTION

Ms. Sitton said in November the plan will be presented at the Public Utilities Committee, the Public Works Committee and the Finance Committee. The Resolution to adopt the plan. She is not sure what to expect. No one has communicated to her yet. She encouraged Council if they had questions to let her know what they were so she could get them answers. She has been out and is back today, but there have been no questions yet. She will work to make sure a few key staff are there at the Committees.

Chair Beloff said the big questions from Water Conservation and others had more to do with the large number of strategies, how to pay for them for implementation, are there resources and what is the implementation plan. Next steps for budget time. She explained about staff level resource finding and opportunities for people to work together across departments for economies of scale and resource sharing. We could assemble a group to work on resources outside the City and in the City. She would love to see Shirlene armed with some thoughts and creative ways to look at integrated finance mechanisms to get high priority planning elements covered.

Commissioner Schruben said she is already looking at projects on CIP plans for bonds. There is always the extra stuff like grants. From Shirlene's point of view that is your focused document. You know what is already funded. That is the basis of where the City starts.

Commissioner Mang said he is in accord with what we talked about with staff. He doesn't want to miss what some of these projects can generate for economic development. What he is after is to not lose the potential of the larger picture of what we are trying to do. This is not just City government. It is the entire community. That can get missed when we are focused on problem solving by project. His suggestion is have staff do the planning and there will be a question of what will this cost. The solution is to adopt the overall recommendations. After that first step then staff works on organizing and planning and then look at who in the community has resources to bring in then we can review it and then quantify what the plan will cost. It is at that point that we can go back to the Finance Committee and other sources of funding. The City does not have the money to implement these recommendations.

Commissioner Robb Hirsch said we can keep going on the agenda, but he doesn't think the

Commission and community need to wait for anything. We need to be active and organized in implementing the goals now and going forward. We can take the initiative to organize.

Commissioner Mang said it needs to be coordinated.

Commissioner Hirsch said coordinating is the job of all of us. Thoughtful action and initiative on the community side is an important part. There is a huge stream going through this regarding the environmental economy and social equity plus carbon offset. The City will use this for guidance.

Chair Beloff said the question is how do we roll it out to capitalize some of the actions you are talking about in civil society given that it has been rolled out to City Council, but not adopted. To what extent do we share that in Green Fire Times. What is appropriate now.

Commissioner Hirsch said as it continues it could be focused on how to engage the community to be compliant and achieve the goals. That could be the catalyst. The City has its hands full.

Ms. Sitton said it is a free press. She is not going to dictate to the press. She doesn't know the deadlines.

Chair Beloff said if we want to we could have graphics of the plan in the article.

Ms. Sitton asked is it you writing an article or the press writing an article.

Commissioner Hirsch said we can move to roll it out together.

Commissioner Schruben said she thinks it is appropriate that representatives from the Commission continue to meet with City Committees involved in these topics. The voluntary Boards and Commissions have deep connections in the community. Then they will know they have a stake in it. Lets use those people to help us make inroads.

Commissioner Griego-Kiel said let us know when you are doing presentations so someone is there with you.

Ms. Sitton suggested that the Commission form an official speakers bureau with members of the Commission who feel comfortable with the power point presentation.

Chair Beloff said she heard the County wants a presentation to the County Commission.

Ms. Sitton said there is not a lot of time now. We should consider that after the Council Committees and Council.

Commissioner Griego-Kiel said they could help us get community buy in.

Chair Beloff asked who would like to be part of the speakers bureau.

Chair Beloff said she would continue to give presentations. Commissioners Schruben and Griego-Kiel also volunteered to participate.

Commissioner Mang said he will volunteer to work with volunteer groups and the City to manifest projects.

Commissioner Mang said in addition to the groups Mary mentioned there are a number of business groups we need to present to. Developers, builders, economic development and others. He is suggesting that it be more than just advocating. Real tangible things could come out of business conversations.

Ms. Sitton said staff will be available to speak to businesses and others as part of the public outreach component.

Chair Beloff said she has been working on the Coalition of New Mexico Community Leaders Organization. She is focused on community solar to kick off an opportunity to expand renewable energy in a rational way in the State and for the City. The Mayor is very supportive of this coalition. We have reached out to Las Cruces and Albuquerque to be founding members. Those Mayors have signed on to the Bloomberg Climate Mayors group. That does not mean other cities should not be involved. Hopefully next week we will have our first meeting to talk about foundational pieces such as model legislation and advocating at the State Legislature and PRC level in procuring clean energy. We can be a depository for best practice policies from other cities and states and to identify other sustainable issues best addressed through coordinating local government action in New Mexico. We are starting initially on energy. We need to get something in for the Legislature asap. Even though great work is being done in the private sector and numerous nonprofits there is a gap in local governments proactively approaching this. We are attempting to provide an opportunity for local leaders to advocate proactively for these policies and an organization similar to the Colorado communities that advocate for policy changes there. We are looking at a kind of charger that everyone opts into, but does not require that every member speaks in the same voice. They can opt in or out, but will all be working together to come up with stronger policy initiatives to go to their Bodies then to the State. It will be organized through the Community Foundation. We will start there with our own governing structure. It will be a program of the Santa Fe Community Foundation. The way we are funding the structure is through a grant she got through the Community Foundation to kick this off. Then we will work with the Community Foundation to look for other funding opportunities. She met with Siemens today and they are interested in helping to fund this. Any lobbying activity will go through the cities and counties in terms of their lobbying activities. We will give that to the cities and counties and Tribal communities. We will be advocating. We are trying to work that out. Some ideas include community solar and pursuing that at the Legislature and the PRC. We are involved in the energy storage mandate that will be heard at the Legislature. We will draft other legislation once we see how community solar works and others. Because of the urgency of community solar she has a draft of a community solar bill. We will be driving that for the next two weeks to gain a consensus among the Mayors then expand that out to others. It will be a consensus bill. Bruce Throne has been hired by the grant to draft the bill. The next step is to go to the legal offices of the cities. That is the work we are doing. We are hoping it moves quickly and smoothly. This is a good starting point. She is really pleased.

Commissioner Mang said regarding the carbon market, is that legislation that would reassert our

participation with California and the Canadian provinces.

Chair Beloff said it is that we really want to play in the market that prices carbon and really change the way ranching and other elements of carbon production operate. We have to join a regime that is working on that and look at what makes the most sense for this state. It could be something we can discuss in more detail here at the Commission to explore what makes sense.

Commissioner Hirsch said to that point, the Citizens Climate Lobby in the Senate last year enacted a Memorial that called for assessing a carbon fee and dividend in this State. That is due before this coming session. You can talk to them or him about that. The Climate Exchange has been asked to perform this study. They are doing an assessment for our State due before the end of the year. It will be relevant for our State. It is important to advance that through the Legislature. Why not work together on something already on its way.

Commissioner Hirsch said also there is the New Mexico Healthy Soil Initiative. A host of experts in our state on soil including the Soil and Conservation Districts of our state and others and he are collectively involved and have convened a healthy soil group for our state. We have drafted legislation and are getting stakeholder participation including ranchers and farmers. So what is proposed addresses the very concerns and initiatives these stakeholders have. This goes to Bob's wonderful article about restoration of our agriculture efforts. We can lead in this. It is very much underway. He can get the soil survey to all of you. It is statewide.

Ms. Sitton said send to her and she will send it out.

Chair Beloff asked would it be possible to share the draft legislation.

Commissioner Hirsch said he will ask the working group.

Chair Beloff said she is interested. The Coalition is a logical place to build advocacy.

Commissioner Mang said it was not his article. He just came upon it and shared it.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Mang, seconded by Commissioner Schruben, that the Commission adopt the three initiatives Commissioner Hirsch and Chair Beloff raised assessing the carbon fee and community solar initiatives as examples of moving our sustainability recommendations forward.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. DISCUSSION: COALITION FOR CLEAN ENERGY NM

Postponed.

H. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Griego-Kiel stated that she lobbied on issues regarding the Land and Water Conservation fund in Washington in September. It is a wonderful fund that funds wonderful projects all over the country. New Mexico has received over \$300 million dollars of support. Please support it. They are trying to get it permanently funded. Our New Mexico Congressional group is very supportive. We need to push to support it. Right now it is gone.

Chair Beloff asked will you draft something she can send to us as an example.

Ms. Griego-Kiel said she will send something out and attach the op ed piece.

Commissioner Schruben announced that there will be a joint meeting of the City and County Water Committees tomorrow at 4:00 pm at the Convention Center.

Commissioner Mang said he would like the Commission to think about the IPCC report that just came out saying 2030 is the critical time for climate change. He wonders if we as a Commission shouldn't reconsider the 2040 date and recommend to the City to move up the target to 2030.

Commissioner Hirsch said that is an important recommendation you are making.

Chair Beloff said the next two years are very important.

Commissioner Mang said we need to emphasize how we use our plan.

Chair Beloff said let's put that on our agenda for the next meeting.

Commissioner Hirsch said that adds fuel to the fire to enact this.

Ms. Sitton said the memo and Resolution refer to that report.

Chair Beloff said regarding the summary from the Global Action Summit, she will send this to Shirlene to send to everyone. It was striking in how many corporations investment entities, cities, regional governments and countries are pushing climate action. It is amazing that in this county how it is believed because the Federal government is inactive that we will meet our Paris agreements by local and regional actions. We are at almost 50% of our Paris commitment now.

I. ITEMS FROM STAFF

The next meeting will be November 27th.

J. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Eiger said last week the UN Climate Panel made it's report and City Council received the Sustainability Commission Plan. Two weeks after his 8th birthday, the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. During the war the entire country was in crisis mode. We turned around the economy to produce war

materials. The civilian population was entirely involved. There was rationing, no new cars were built. It was a total effort every day for four years. This global warming crisis is, in a way, a greater crisis. It effects the entire planet. WWII had a clear enemy. With this crisis it is us who is the enemy. We have a national government not willing to lead. We have a good local government here in Santa Fe. They recognize their responsibility, but not to the degree he would like to see. The City has done a lot. Santa Fe Public Schools is doing a great job. There have been great strides in water conservation and green housing. The time has come to really look at how serious this situation is. The new reporting is really scary. If we don't turn around our emissions in a significant way this planet is in real trouble. The Plan was presented to the City Council meeting and now it has to go through a number of committees before approval. One person is to be hired and that will gradually expand. It is too slow. This is a crisis. Action has to be dramatic and immediate. He would like to see the Mayor create a new department. He is not sure who in the County who would lead it. He is suggesting a totally new department for both the City and County to take the lead. Every department in both will be effected by climate change. All their departments effect climate change as well. The time for action is long overdue. He would like to see this agency, which is unique in having both City Councilors and County Commissioners, take the lead as well. Add an assignment to look at greenhouse emissions from every aspect of your operation to the study being done by the Yankes company. Solutions are not readily available, but hopefully will come. Look at the City and County fleet. He will be back and will be repeating this many times. It is an issue that needs leadership and every aspect of government to push it. Us as individuals as well. Thank you.

Mr. Roffman said he would like to devote an entire issue to just the Plan and issues around sustainability. He feels scheduling it for January is safer from a time line perspective.

There was a question about selling advertising to pay for it. Ms. Sitton will check into that.

Ms. Bouchett informed the Commission that there will be a hearing on an Ordinance to elements fees for recycling on October 30th at 4:00 pm. \$200,000 in revenue would be lost. Also the County is in it's first week of the Bloomberg group project. The City is involved as well.

K. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

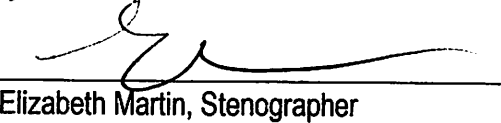
Not discussed.

**L. NEXT MEETING
NOVEMBER 27, 2018**

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission the meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.


Beth Beloff, Chair


Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer