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## SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSIÓN **Study Session**

Wednesday, April 13, 2011 McCune Foundation Conference Room 345 East Alameda Street Santa Fe, NM 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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Next Meeting: - April 19, 2011

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# SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION STUDY SESSION

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#### A. CALL TO ORDER

The Study Session of the City of Santa Fe Sustainable Santa Fe Commission was called to order by Camilla Bustamante, Chair at 3:04 p.m. at the McCune Foundation Conference Room, 345 East Alameda Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

#### B. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the presence of a quorum for conducting official business as follows:

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Camilla Bustamante, Chair Louise Pape, Vice Chair Rosa Moreno Kim Shanahan Bianca Sopoci-Belknap (Facilitator) D.H. Strongheart

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Robert Haspel, excused Tim Rogers, excused Joe Sehee, excused

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Seth Roffman *Green Fire Times*Matthew Young, CADRE member
Regina Wheeler, Staff, Facilitator
Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

#### C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Pape moved to approve the Agenda as published. Commissioner Sopoci-Belknap seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

This Planning/Study Session was held to review the progress to date on implementing the Sustainable Santa Fe Plan; to review the plan goals as they have evolved and define what the main goal is now and to develop the key objectives to focus the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission's work for 2011.

The Commissioners were asked to report on each section of the plan and present their main goals and priorities. They were presented as follows:

#### D. STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR 2011

#### 1. Major Accomplishments

(Progress on Plan Implementation during 2010)

- Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory (Katherine Mortimer)
  - Intern from NNMC researched data needed. Most of data collected and trends visible.
  - GHG per capita has decreased over last three years but with population growth the overall emissions have increased albeit at a decreased rate.
  - SFCC intern getting 2010 data
  - 1990 is baseline year based on Kyoto Protocol and US Conference of Mayor's Climate Change Agreement.
  - Have not compared nationally since data is missing

#### • City Operations (Katherine Mortimer)

- Policies in City to turn off computers, recycling in all buildings.
- No active engagement or measurement

#### • **Green Building Code** (Kim Shanahan)

- July 2009 Residential Green Building Codes enacted.
- Did not codify commitment and date benchmarks to meet 2030 Challenge.
- Green building codes for historic district, existing buildings and commercial buildings will be law in 2011.

#### • **Development and Zoning Code** (Katherine Mortimer)

- SF Code is aggressive toward water: storm water and potable water
- St. Michael's and Airport Road opportunities for pilot for performance zoning.

#### • Clean Renewable Energy (Joe Sehee)

- Focus on ARRA funds to perform energy conservation projects in City buildings to lead by example.
- City funded low interest loans for energy efficiency through Homewise. All funds lent.
- City signed onto County proposal for PACE, which is stalled.
- Energy task force part of City/County RPA looking at municipal utility and other regional projects.

#### • Transportation (no status update given)

#### • Ecological Adaptation (Louise Pape)

- River restoration and agreement for water progressing and adopted.
- Restoration of arroyos beside museum hill.
- Native vegetation at river and in banks.
- Residential green building code includes provisions for storm water.
- Asked to make recommendations to parks and open space about passive water capture.
- Continuation of SF River Trail.

#### • Water Conservation (D.H. Strongheart)

- City Water Conservation Office heads up the efforts in this area.
- Progress on water conservation is progressing as planned in the City's Water Conservation Plan.
- Appliance rebate program is going well.
- Industrial system improvements rebates going well.
- Water Conservation Office website updated.
- Lots of public outreach.
- Create a stakeholder map.

#### • Solid Waste Reduction (Kim Shanahan and Regina Wheeler)

- CSWMP adopted.
- Major public outreach program to encourage recycling.
- Solid Waste Division improved delivery of services and website.

#### • Food Systems (Bianca Sopoci-Belknap)

- Food Policy Council heading up most efforts in this area.
- Farmland preservation resolutions.
- Local food procurement legislation passed by legislature and vetoed by Governor.
- Americorp Youth Cadre piloted this year.
- All City community gardens are full and there is demand for more.
- NM Farmers Marketing Association did study on food habits.

- Sustainability Demonstration Center has a working committee looking at GCCC for larger scale (than community gardens) urban farming demonstration.
- Education and Outreach (K-12 Education: Bianca Sopoci-Belknap and Rosa Moreno-Higher Education: Camilla Bustamante)
  - Sustainability Education Task Force work with Earth Care:
    - ❖ District hired full time energy conservation coordinator and GO bond money to implement energy conservation to savings of over \$40K.
    - Grey water, insulation, recycling, composting, NGOs sponsoring environmental programs in schools.
    - Public Information: NGOs are performing programs.

#### Santa Fe Community College (SFCC):

- CCCC pathways of climate change conservation program creates career pathways.
- ❖ Biofuels class successful year.
- Climate change leadership institute.
- ❖ Advanced trades school construction completed.

#### Northern New Mexico College (NNMC):

- Solar energy research park academy (SERPA) started construction.
- Climate change dialog integrated into entry level courses.
- ❖ DOE grant awarded to consortium, for math camp curriculum development to ensure basic skills required for science based education and training using math applied to environmental and climate change problems. Classes will be at NNMC and Highlands University.

#### 2. Key Goals Identification

(Update goals of Plan)

- Goals from Plan and Resolution have been established by governing body: measurable C02 reduction and prepare for a changed climate future.
- Climate Change Adaptation
- Green House Gas Reduction
  - ❖ Reduce emissions from sources of power primarily electricity
  - \* Reduce emissions from transportation of people and goals
  - Reduce methane emissions from landfills and Wastewater Treatment
- Resource conservative
- Address the impacts of climate change: Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and prepare for changed future conditions.
  - Prepare for a changing local ecology

- Prepare for less eater due to more drought
- Prepare for more expensive food
- Position ourselves to develop green businesses and expertise

#### 3. Objectives Identification

(Establish Key Objectives of the Plan for 2011 Implementation)

The Commissioners were asked to present one objective from their section and two objectives from the plan to create a list of SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and time-bound) objectives. Objectives were listed and similar objectives consolidated. The following list of eleven objectives was voted on and the top 4 emerged to be the focus of the Commission's work for 2011:

- 1. Environmental Management System for the City Operations
- 2. Municipal Utility or Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) shift to renewable energy
- 3. Green Development: SFCC Chapter 14 Revisions and pass green building codes
- 4. Public Education and Involvement Plan and Do (Address cc denial, leverage broad expertise, business sustainability guidelines, map community assets, resource guide, sustainability demonstration, local food resources and methods)
- 5. Sustainability Demonstration Initiative (parks, rain water, web, agriculture, etc.)
- 6. Systems to process, store, distribute sustainably-drown local food
- 7. C&D Ordinance and Reuse Center (could include construction)
- 8. Disposable Bag Tax
- 9. Bike Sharing Program
- 10. Green City Program w/report card, members and "standards"
- 11. Funding for SF River restoration

#### 4. Organizational Structure and Process

The unique values of the Commission and key components of a structure were presented. The Commission provided feedback and input based on the Objectives identified.

The following Committee Structure was proposed:

- Policy Committee
  - Ad hoc task forces to address specific subject matter
  - Participation varies by subject matter
  - Draft policies for Sustainable SF Commission review

#### • Assessment Committee

- Track progress towards objectives and goals
- Identify gaps in Commission skills

#### • Education and Coordination Committee

- Website, press releases
- Map and engage resources and groups

#### 5. Wrap-Up and Next Steps

- Next SSFC meeting:
  - Make objectives SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Time-bound)
  - Committee membership assignments
  - Commission gap analysis

#### Adjournment

#### Schedule next meeting/adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. This Study Session adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved by:		
Camilla Bustamant	e Chair	

Respectively submitted by:

Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer