



**ENERGY ELEMENT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TALENT CITY HALL
LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
September 17, 2018**

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The Urban Growth Boundary Citizen Advisory Committee of the City of Talent will meet on Wednesday, September 17, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at the City of Talent Large Conference Room, 110 E. Main Street. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired, or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities, should be made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to the City Recorder at 541-535-1566, ext. 1012. The Planning Commission reserves the right to add or delete items as needed, change the order of the agenda, and discuss any other business deemed necessary at the time of the study session and/or meeting.

REGULARLY MEETING – 6:00 PM

I. Call to Order/Roll Call at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Member Sohl Member Bizeau Chair Ponomareff Member Roome	
1. Also Present:	
Zac Moody – Community Development Director Michael Hoch – RARE Energy Efficiency Coordinator Emily Berlant – City Council Liaison	

II. Overview of the Task

III. Invitation for Citizen Introductions and Commentary (0:00:33)

Michael Hoch introduced himself to the group. Informed that his work plan will focus around SEM and additional implementation of Energy Element steps; comprehensive plan amendment process; other energy related planning actions.

- Chair Ponomareff offered her time and knowledge to Michael were he wanting to learn more about the history, language, and context. Member Bizeau offered hers as well.
- Moody noted that Michael's role would be different from Connor's and wouldn't be serving as the staff member designated to this meeting, Moody would be filling that role.

IV. Approval of Minutes (0:07:51)

July 30, 2018 Minutes

Discussion:

- None

Motion: Member Roome moved to approve the minutes. Member Bizeau seconded.

Vote: All ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Approval or Amendment of Policy 2 (0:08:23)

Policy 2: Energy Generation Review

Presentation from Chair Ponomareff on the status of updates to Policy 2.

Discussion:

- Chair Ponomareff noted that the discussed changes from the last meeting were not included in the version in the agenda. The group identified that their last meeting was on Connor's last day and the version didn't get updated.
- Moody suggested moving this agenda item to the next meeting with hopes for approval.
- Committee directed staff to prepare clean and redline version of Policy 2 for next meeting.

VI. Approval or Amendment of Policy 3 (0:12:00)

Policy 3: Energy Resiliency

Presentation from Chair Ponomareff on how the group had been processing information.

Discussion:


- Member Bizeau asked for context from Moody about how this policy fits into larger City operations for resiliency and emergency management.
 - Moody answered that he and Connor thought through that as they transitioned the 2030 plan to comprehensive plan structure with what was attainable. Reminded that the Policy will get reworked multiple times after this committee.
- Michael Hoch commented that there's no mention of natural disaster resilience and how it pertains to energy.
 - Member Roome agreed and added that a micro grid is theoretical. He acknowledged that the police chief is the designated emergency manager but hasn't always been up to speed. Recommends inclusion of some accountability to that role and the associated duties in this section.

- Chair Ponomareff asked about local emergency management plans.
 - Moody answered that there's a county one and a city one, but it doesn't fully consider energy resiliency. Suggested looking at IS 3.3b to include more than just "publicly owned buildings"
 - Member Sohl suggested changing to "just utilize local renewable energy sources."
 - Identify critical energy infrastructure
 - Chair Ponomareff clarified to look at Policy 3 through the lens of "natural disasters".
 - Member Sohl acknowledged that "resiliency" is also talking about cost.
- Chair Ponomareff suggested reading through the policy one objective at a time.
 - POLICY 3: Energy Resiliency:
 - Member Bizeau suggested an inclusion of developing regional partners
 - Member Sohl suggested it as a new Objective.
 - NEW Objective 3.5: Build energy alliances and partnerships with other municipalities, private businesses, and stakeholders to foster energy resiliency across the region.
 - Objective 3.1:
 - Consensus to reword to: Educate Talent residents and business owners on the benefits of energy resiliency including renewable energy paired with reliable back up storage sources.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.1a:
 - Consensus to reword to: Partner with knowledgeable community organizations to develop and distribute resources that explain the benefits, and practical measures, of having alternative energy systems.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.1b:
 - Consensus to reword to: Identify effective public channels for communicating resources with Talent residents and business owners regarding energy resiliency.
 - Objective 3.2:
 - Consensus to reword to: Diversify energy sources and locations within Talent and surrounding areas to reduce community dependence on the regional grid.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.2a:
 - Consensus to reword to: Conduct land use analysis for potential siting of renewable energy systems that could supply a micro grid.
 - NEW Implementation Strategy 3.2c: Ensure that all future public infrastructure planning considers and plans for the potential development of micro grids.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.2b:
 - Consensus to reword to: Identify the feasibility of contracting or partnering with another municipality that is capable of distributing power to Talent.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.2c:
 - Consensus to delete strategy.
- When discussing Objective 4, include some insurance of regular review of contracts to ensure cleanest energy.
 - Objective 3.3:
 - Consensus to reword to: Develop local backup energy sources for critical facilities to supplement power in times of power outage.
 - Implementation Strategy 3.3a:
 - Consensus to reword to: Develop and prioritize a listing of critical infrastructure that requires power for operation.

- NEW Implementation Strategy 3.3c:
 - Map and identify vulnerable residents in Talent and coordinate with other municipalities and organizations to....[to be completed at next meeting]
- Committee directed staff to send Doodle poll for next 4 meetings with options for day and evening times on Mondays and Wednesdays.

VII. Adjournment at 8:01pm (1:58:41)

Respectfully submitted by:



Emily Berlant, Committee Secretary

Attest:



Eleanor Ponomareff, Chair

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