# CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION Council Chambers, Urbana City Building Tuesday, December 4, 2018

**Commissioners Present:** Chairperson Stacy Gloss, Dustin Allred, Claire Johnson, Todd Rusk, Morgan White, Tesfaye Wolde-Medhin, Andrew Stumpf, Maddy Garbacz

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Amanda Flores

## Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

Chairperson Stacy Gloss called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Amanda Flores called the roll and a quorum was present.

#### Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

#### Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Ms. White, second by Ms. Johnson, to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2018 meeting. Motion carried. Morgan White motioned for the approval of the minutes for the November 6, 2018 meeting. Claire Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Public Input

There was no Public Input.

#### **Communications**

#### Staff Report

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report which included an update on Ameren's opportunity to retrofit existing outdoor lighting with more energy efficient bulbs via end of year funds. He reported that Public Works staff would need to collect relevant street light data, however Public Works does not have enough staff to undertake this task. Ensuring that public safety is of utmost importance, hence it take priority over doing inventory. Chair Stacy Gloss asked if this would be a good opportunity to help do the inventory, Todd Rusk responded that this process of inventorying lights is more involved than just counting streetlights and students cannot easily take on this project.

Additionally, Mr. Tess reported on the results of Staff's investigation into a recent Ameren statement on rate changes. It was concluded that fluctuations downward outweigh the upward fluctuations, households enrolled in municipal electric aggregation won't enjoy Ameren electric supply price reductions.

Updates on Solar Urbana-Champaign 3.0 surpassing the 500kw install capacity, the City's tentative agreement on the lease option for the landfill solar development, the development of a draft for a Sustainable Water Management Plan to be completed in 2019, Staff sharing experiences on developing

our local solar market on a US EPA webinar, work with the University of Illinois Extension Service and U-Cycle's annual America Recycles Day event were given.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2019.

## 2019 Commission Meeting Schedule

The proposed 2019 SAC Schedule was also presented at this time. Todd Rusk moved to approve the proposed schedule. Andrew Stumpf seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Announcements**

Scott Tess announce that Ameren Illinois has a \$100 rebate for a smart thermostat with no income qualifications available through the end of the calendar year 2018.

## Old Business

# There was no old business.

# Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Flores Recording Secretary