

**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
2nd Floor Executive Conference Room
Tuesday, January 8, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Gary Cziko, John Marlin, Todd Rusk, Rachel Vellenga

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Aditi Kambuj, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda submitted.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Vellenga, second by Mr. Marlin, to approve the minutes from the December 4, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Communications

Monthly Staff Report from Scott R. Tess, Environmental Sustainability Manager

Scott Tess provided the January Staff Report that answered questions that arose from commission members relating to information provided at the December meeting. These questions pertained to the following: Decoupling, Irrigation Rules, Flood Design Standards, Flood Damage Records, Adjusting Flood Zone Maps, Fertilizer Use, Plumbing Code, Drinking Water Use, and Water Consumption Trends.

Tess also gave updates on Municipal Electric Aggregation, Pharmaceutical Waste Collection, and the City's receipt of an ICLEI Milestone Certificate. He gave a verbal update on the City's receipt of a Sierra Club Cool Cities Achievement Award.

Presentation by George Roadcap Addressing Water Production from the Mahomet Aquifer

Dr. George Roadcap, with the Mahomet Aquifer Consortium and the Illinois State Water Survey at the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois, gave a presentation on the current and projected future state of the Mahomet Aquifer.

Roadcap stressed to SAC the importance of staying on top of water usages in the area, gaining a better understanding of what happens during drought periods, and educating the public to better clear up misconceptions about groundwater in general.

Continuing Business

Determining How the SAC Will Address Water Resource Issues

Scott Tess continued a discussion regarding SACs role in addressing issues relating to the sustainable management of water resources. He provided a draft memo of potential goals and actions for Sustainable Water Management. The commission agreed on the following categories:

- Drinking Water Supply & Demand
- Drinking Water Quality
- Surface Water & Stormwater
- Flood Management
- Recreational Waters

Discussion ensued.

Review of Potential CAP Implementation

Scott Tess provided a handout for SAC to examine before the February meeting. The information given reviewed CAP Goals and Actions that have been completed, are currently in progress, or are proposed. Tess will continue to research what other cities have been and are doing to meet the goals and actions in their specific climate action plans.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Announcements

There were no announcements made.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.