



**AGENDA
CITY OF CREVE COEUR
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE
ONLINE MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2024
5:30 PM**

Online Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86390883476>

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of January 17, 2024 Minutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Priorities for Fiscal Year 2024
3. Newsletter Articles

NEW BUSINESS

4. Green Business Award Nominations
5. Arbor Day Celebration & Art Contest

BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL LIAISON

BUSINESS FROM STAFF LIAISON

ADJOURNMENT

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ROLL CALL

Committee Chair Andrew Lowenthal - Present
Committee Member Greg Campbell - Present
Committee Member Joseph Gaied - Absent
Committee Member Walker Gaffney - Absent
Committee Member Sheerie Green - Present
Committee Member Saranya Konala - Present
Committee Vice Chair Donna Spence - Present
Committee Member Paige Recker - Present

Council Liaison Mark Manlin - Present
Staff Liaison Melissa Bradford - Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of December 20, 2023 Minutes

RESULT: Motion to approve December 20, 2023 minutes

MOVER: Spence

SECONDER: Lowenthal

AYES: Andrew Lowenthal, Greg Campbell, Sheerie Green, Saranya Konala, Donna Spence, Paige Recker

NAYS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Priorities for Fiscal Year 2024

Saranya Konala stated she is working on updating the draft priorities for FY24 and will send out a draft prior to the next meeting. Donna Spence asked if there was an area she could help focus on. Saranya suggested looking into how the city's code and ordinances could be updated. The committee discussed educating the public on geothermal energy, as well as the high cost of geothermal. Saranya Konala



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summarized the committee's draft priorities to include updating the climate action plan, exploring establishing a group of motivated citizens, and exploring electric vehicle options for the Police Department.

3. Newsletter Articles

Staff liaison Melissa Bradford thanked member Greg Campbell for drafting the newsletter article on proper recycling; there was not space to publish it in the February newsletter, so it has been moved to the March newsletter. Donna Spence suggested an article on medium and small actions people can take to live a more environmentally friendly lifestyle. Saranya Konala suggested an article about conducting an energy audit in your home. Donna Spence volunteered to write the next article.

4. Police Department EVs

Andy Lowenthal stated that the Police Department will be installing an electric vehicle (EV) charging station in the front and the back of the Police building, and the department's main concern regarding EVs is the cost of purchasing a vehicle, which can be upwards of \$100,000. Council liaison Mark Manlin stated that the average price of a regular police vehicle is around \$50,000-\$60,000. Andy Lowenthal asked if the city could start with purchasing EVs or hybrids for non-police vehicles that civilian city staff may use. Paige Recker asked if the public would have access to the charging stations. Andy Lowenthal stated they would have access to the one installed in the front of the building only. Greg Campbell asked for staff liaison Melissa Bradford to ask any city departments are considering hybrid or EVs in the future for staff vehicles.

BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS

Donna Spence stated she is running for City Council in Ward 1 during the upcoming municipal election in April and will no longer be a voting member of the committee after the election.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL LIAISON

No discussion was held.

BUSINESS FROM STAFF



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ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.