



**AGENDA
CITY OF CREVE COEUR
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE
300 NORTH NEW BALLAS RD
COUNCIL CHAMBER
FEBRUARY 19, 2025
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of January 15, 2025, Minutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Newsletter Articles
3. Climate Action Report
4. Arbor Day - Sunday, April 27, 2025

BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL LIAISON

BUSINESS FROM STAFF LIAISON

ADJOURNMENT

Posted by: _____
Date/Time posted: _____

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Committee Chair Andrew Lowenthal - Present
Committee Vice-Chair Saranya Konala - Absent
Committee Member Joseph Gaied - Absent
Committee Member Walker Gaffney - Present
Committee Member Tarab Kumar - Present
Committee Member Robert McCormack - Present

Council Liaison Donna Spence - Present
Staff Liaison Melissa Bradford - Present
City Administrator Mark Perkins - Present
Director of Public Works Jim Heines - Present
Mayor Robert Hoffman - Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of December 18, 2024, Minutes

RESULT: Motion to Approve December 18, 2024, Minutes MOVER: Andrew Lowenthal SECONDER: Tarab Kumar AYES: Andrew Lowenthal, Walker Gaffney, Tarab Kumar, Robert McCormack NAYS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Administrator Mark Perkins provided an update on the proposed trash contract extension. The City's current contract will be expiring on June 30, 2025. The City is negotiating a five-year extension to the solid waste program with Republic Services. Under the proposed terms of a contract extension, the cost per single family home for weekly trash and recycling service will be increasing from an average of \$14.25 to \$17.55 per month. This cost is paid by the City's general revenues, resulting in no fee to residents. The increase reflects trends in labor, supply chain disruptions, and higher equipment costs. Republic Services will continue to offer residents optional services to customize their solid waste needs, including valet trash service and yard waste



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collection. Due to the inefficiencies with the sticker/yard waste tags/bag program, this program will be discontinued. The Energy & Environment Committee are invited to a joint work session with the City Council on Monday, February 10, 2025 to discuss the contract.

2. Newsletter Articles

The Committee discussed ideas for future newsletter articles, such as articles addressing how much of recycled plastic is successfully recycled, addressing how plastic can only be recycled once whereas glass can be recycled repeatedly, and reminders about what is recyclable. Tarab Kumar volunteered to write an article suggesting plants that are natural pesticides, such as marigolds, to be published during the spring.

3. Climate Action Report

Staff liaison Melissa Bradford stated that staff need to provide the final data for 2024. The Committee will plan on having a join work session with the City Council this summer to discuss the updated report. Donna Spence recommended updating the Energy & Environment Committee page of the website. The Committee agreed to post the Climate Action Report to the website once the draft is finalized.

BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS

Committee members introduced themselves to each other, welcoming new member Robert McCormack.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL LIAISON

No discussion was held.

BUSINESS FROM STAFF LIAISON

Melissa Bradford stated the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, at 5:30 p.m. at the Creve Coeur Government Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



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