



**City of Scottsdale  
Energy Advisory Committee  
Environmental Quality Advisory Board  
Granite Reef Senior Center, Rm. 11  
1700 N. Granite Reef Rd.  
Scottsdale, 85257**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Mulloy, Chair  
Jimmy Leung, Vice-Chair  
Eddie Scholz, Committee Member  
Penny Allee Taylor, Committee Member (Represented by Brian O'Donnell)

**ABSENT:** Lori Glover, Committee Member  
Dave Walker, Committee Member  
Angela Creedon, Committee Member  
Herjinder Hawkins, Committee Member  
Keith Thompson, Committee Member  
Joe Campodall'Orto, Committee Member  
Stephen Anderson, Committee Member

**STAFF:** Larry Person  
Chuck Skidmore

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Daniel Basinger

**1) Call to Order**

Chair Mulloy called the meeting to order at 11:26 a.m.

**2) Roll Call**

A roll call confirmed the presence of Committee members as noted above. Chair Mulloy noted the absence of a quorum.

**3) Approve minutes of last meeting**

No minutes were available for the previous meeting, which did not have a quorum.

#### **4) Introductions**

Chair Mulloy invited attendees to introduce themselves.

#### **5) Public Comment**

None

#### **6) Old Business** **a) Hydrogen for City vehicles**

Vice-Chair Leung reported that he, Mr. Basinger, Mr. Skidmore and Chair Mulloy had a very productive meeting with Danny Johnson, the City fleet manager. They discussed various alternative fuels and decided to continue working with Mr. Johnson on this topic by forming a subcommittee.

Chair Mulloy and Mr. Skidmore attended the alternative fuels expo at GateWay Community College.

Chair Mulloy asked Mr. Person for guidance in forming a subcommittee and recruiting alternative fuel experts. Mr. Person agreed that Bill Shaeffer, Executive Director of Sun Clean Cities Coalition, could bring significant expertise to this subcommittee. He suggested the subcommittee should be given sufficient latitude to network and explore different possibilities.

A discussion on the composition of the Energy Advisory Committee ensued. Mr. Person remarked that the Mayor and City Council seek citizen perspectives on environmental questions as well as technical expertise. He suggested that the experts could either be official committee members or be available to share their expertise at the invitation of the Committee.

#### **b) Meeting dates and times**

Chair Mulloy noted that it is important to create a solid group that will be able to attend meetings. Mr. Person suggested that establishing a regular meeting time will encourage attendance. After discussion, the Committee agreed to a regular meeting time of 7:00 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. Due to a conflict with another meeting, the November meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00 a.m. at a location to be announced.

#### **c) Review roles of EAC and EQAB**

Mr. Person briefly reviewed the role of the Energy Advisory Committee. The Committee will report to the Environmental Quality Advisory Board, which in turn reports to the Mayor and City Council. The Committee works under the authority and direction of EQAB. The original concept was to have the Energy Advisory Committee come up with strategic planning on energy issues. A more institutionalized environmental energy program would benefit the City.

In 2000, EQAB presented a basic energy policy to the Mayor and City Council, which has proved to be a success. Mr. Person believes that the time is ripe to bring forward

more initiatives. The largest environmental issues the City will face over the next decade are energy, water, and air quality. Noting the success achieved by the Green Building Program, Mr. Skidmore expressed optimism for the Energy Advisory Committee. A discussion on the Green Building Program ensued.

**d) Review direction given EAC by EQAB**

**i) Energy Plan**

**ii) Benchmark Existing Facilities**

Mr. O'Donnell suggested that benchmarking the efficiency of air conditioning systems would be an effective starting point.

**iii) Evaluate proposals/concepts brought to City**

**7) New Business**

**a) Form subcommittees to address 6,d above**

Chair Mulloy suggested that subcommittees are needed for:

- benchmarking existing facilities
- evaluating alternative fuel proposals
- draft City energy policy

Staff advised that the Chair can appoint members to the subcommittees.

Chair Mulloy appointed Vice-Chair Leung to chair the alternative fuel subcommittee.

Mr. Scholz was appointed Chair of the benchmarking subcommittee.

Chair Mulloy volunteered to chair the energy plan subcommittee.

Discussion ensued on ensuring adequate attendance at meetings and determining the appropriate size of the Energy Advisory Committee.

- b) Evaluation process for proposals to City
- c) New EAC member application(s)

**8) Reports**

**a) APS Rate Case**

Mr. Skidmore reported that the APS rate case is ongoing. He discussed the implications for the City. Discussion ensued on City energy usage and rate structures.

**b) Renewable Energy Standard and Tariff**

Mr. Skidmore stated that the final rule for the Renewable Energy Standard and Tariff will be voted on in late October or early November. The next open meeting is on October 27th.

**c) SRP Rate Increase**

Mr. Skidmore reported that SRP recently announced a small rate increase.

**d) SWG Rate Increase**

Mr. O'Donnell stated that Southwest Gas had a rate increase of roughly 15 percent.

**e) CREB Applications**

Mr. Skidmore noted they expect to hear from the Federal Government soon whether the City has been authorized to issue the Clean Renewable Energy Bonds. If so, City Council will make a decision on the issuance.

**9) Announcements**

Mr. Skidmore announced that a debate on renewable energy with candidates for the Corporation Commission at 6:30 on Friday, October 20 at 411 North Central Avenue in Phoenix.

Mr. Person announced that the solar lecture "Putting Together a Solar and Sustainable Future" is scheduled for Thursday, October 19th at the Community Design Studio.

**10) Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A/V-Tronics, Inc.