

Cleveland Heights Climate and Environmental Sustainability Committee (CESC)

Minutes

02/18/2025 2:00 – 3:30pm at Cleveland Heights City Hall

Attendees: Appointed CESC members John Barber, Carly Beck, William Hanavan, Mohammad Irfan, Tami Masuoka, and Sean Terry, and Andy Boateng, Sustainability and Resiliency Coordinator, and Councilperson Gail Larson. A quorum was present. Tami Masuoka led the meeting, John Barber took minutes.

The January 21, 2025 minutes were approved as amended, and will be posted on the city website.

CARP Rollout: Andy reported that he made a number of corrections to CARP information from the consultant, and that the CARP would now be submitted to city communications. The implementation plan spreadsheet will be released at the same time as the CARP. All progress reports should be sent to Andy as he will be tracking implementation progress.

CESC Contact Form: The city's website includes a CESC contact form for residents now. Andy said that the input from this form will be sent directly to the Mayor's Action Center for logging, tracking, and assignment. The committee agreed that any items coming in through the CESC contact form should also be reported to the committee for its information. John asked for a monthly report of items and assignments as a standing agenda item. (Who will be requesting this from Todd?)

Observer article: Catalina suggested a CESC overview article in the Heights Observer (April for Earth Day?). She will put a draft up for committee comment – must be submitted to Observer by mid-March.

CESC Annual Report for 2024: The committee discussed the draft CESC Annual Report, agreeing that it was an important deliverable. John will post the draft for full committee review and comment, with the goal of committee edit and approval at the March meeting.

Mohammad presented ideas and a proposed spreadsheet for detailed tracking of the economic benefits of the Leopardo project. Andy noted that Leopardo is responsible for this tracking, but said it would be useful to crosscheck Leopardo's reporting. Mohammad will work with Andy on implementation of the internal spreadsheet.

The committee discussed the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty and Council's request for input. Mohammad will paraphrase it and look for actions by other cities as inputs for Council's discussions.

The Committee agreed to meet next on March 18th from 2:00 – 3:30pm in the Executive Conference Room in City Hall. Catalina will coordinate with city calendar.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.

Submitted by John Barber