



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Water and Light Advisory Board

Monday, December 9, 2024
2:00 PM

Joint Work Session with City Council
Amended

701 E Broadway
Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barbara Buffalo called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

Water & Light Advisory Board Recommendations

The recommendations were presented by Dave Sorrell. The proposed changes to the City Ordinances will hopefully be finalized by January. The City's contract with Ironstar was discussed at length as they have not generated any power for the City yet. The definition of renewable energy will be adjusted to meet the state of Missouri's definition. Phillip Fracica, Chair of the Water and Light Advisory Board, explained why Renewable Energy Credits are not recommended for the City to purchase. He stated it was paying money for an uncertain outcome as they may never be used. Todd McVicker explained the City's reduction goals and community solar program.

Attachments: WLAB Renewable Ordinance Recommendations

Climate & Environment Commission (CC) Response

Mrs. Barbara Buffalo expressed concern about abandoned shopping carts in Columbia, and she suggested donating them to the Food Bank if the companies they belong to do not want them back. De'Carlton Seewood stated this concern is an issue that Parks and Recreation and the City's street cleanup division should handle.

Attachments: CEC Response to WLAB Renewable Energy Ordinance Recommendations

II. ANY OTHER ITEMS COUNCIL MAY WISH TO DISCUSS

None.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:26 PM by Mayor Barbara Buffalo.

To submit questions or comments to the Water & Light Advisory Board, please email wlabpublic@como.gov.

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