



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes - Final

Climate and Environment Commission

Tuesday, February 25, 2025
6:00 PM

City Hall
Conference Room
1A/1B
701 E. Broadway
Columbia, MO.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

Present: 13 - Linda Godwin, Leanne Tippet Mosby, Abra Spisso, Emily Gustafson, David Huhman, Alexis Hall, Richard Shanker, Andrew Sell, Kira Smith, Abby Dickinson, Nathan Elwood, Cherylyn Kelley and Eileen Avery

Excused: 2 - Eric Kvam and Morgan Wozniak

Climate and Environment Commission Public Comment Practice
Members of the public may request up to 10 minutes on the agenda to present to the commission under the Special Item section. Placement on the agenda will be at the discretion of the Chair based on relevance to the duties and responsibilities of the commission outlined in Sec. 2-294 of the city code.

Every agenda will include a section for general comments by the public. Each member of the public wishing to speak will be allowed up to three minutes. Persons representing a group will be allowed up to 5 minutes.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves around the room.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Smith made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Spisso; motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DRAFT Minutes January 28, 2025 Commission Meeting

Attachments: [Draft Meeting Minutes 1-28-2025](#)

Gustafson made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2025 meeting, seconded by Spisso; motion carried.

V. SPECIAL ITEMS

a) CEC Officer Elections: Chair, Vice Chair & Secretary

The Commission discussed the deletion of the Secretary position. A vote was held, and the Commission decided to delete the position of Secretary. A vote was taken for CEC officer elections. Abra Spisso was elected as chair by unanimous vote and Leanne Tippett Mosby was elected as Vice chair by unanimous vote.

Tippett Mosby made a motion to nominate Spisso as chair, seconded by Gustafson; motion carried. Spisso made a motion to nominate Tippett Mosby as vice chair, seconded by Hall; motion carried.

b) 2024 International Energy Conservation Code review update and presentation on Appendices - Aaron Decker, Building Regulations Supervisor.

Aaron Decker provided a presentation on the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code Appendices and updated the Commission on the review timeline.

Aaron Decker explained that the review committee remains on track for code adoption, with the finalized code language expected to be submitted to the City of Columbia in April. The City Council will review the language at its first meeting in April, with adoption projected for October.

The Commission discussed the limitations of implementing demand-responsive controls in Columbia. They also explored advancements in battery power and their potential impact on future electric vehicle adoption.

The Commission discussed maintaining the solar-ready and electric-ready appendices, including requirements for gas units to incorporate electric-ready components and increased electrical service capacity.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Continue City of Columbia budget discussion

Attachments: [CEC FY 25 Budget proposal for 2-25-2025](#)
[Updated FY26 budget timeline](#)
[FY26 OS CAAP NDIs](#)

The Commission continued their discussion on new decision item suggestions for the FY26 City Manager's Budget.

Tippett Mosby motioned adding three new decision items located in file FY26 NDIs CEC Final for consideration: planning and design of a Virtual Power Plant, additional funding for bike lanes, and additional funding for marketing, seconded by Kelley; motion carried.

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Attachments: [FY26 NDIs CEC Final](#)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None

VIII. REPORTS

Chair Report

The Chair provided updates on ongoing initiatives, including Adopt-a-Spot, Earth Day participation, and the Butterfly Festival. The Commission also discussed scheduling and event planning.

Staff Report

The staff liaison Eric Hempel discussed the Solarize campaign and upcoming Community Summit event. Hempel shared that they had hired a full-time community resilience organizer position.

IX. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

None

X. NEXT MEETING DATE

March 25, 2025

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm