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County of Los Alamos

Minutes

Los Alamos Resiliency Energy and Sustainability Task Force

1000 Central Ave.
Los Alamos, NM

Katie Leonard, Chair; Robert Gibson, Vice-Chair; Susan Barns; Elizabeth Daly; Suzie Havemann; Charles Keller; Roy Michelotti; Heidi Rogers, and Steve Tobin, Members

Friday, June 18, 2021 **3:00 PM** **Zoom**

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The June 18, 2021, RES was called to order at 3:00 pm via Zoom.

Members in attendance:

Chair Leonard
Vice-Chair Gibson
Member Barns
Member Daly
Member Keller
Member Rogers
Member Tobin

Members in absent:

Member Havemann
Member Michelotti

Subcommittee Members in attendance:

Skip Dunn
Jack Kennison
Greg White

Staff in attendance:

Randall Ryti, Council Liaison
Angelica Gurule, Environmental Services Manager (Staff Liaison)
Anne Laurent, Public Works Director
Amy Danforth, Senior Office Specialist
Perry Rutherford, IT Support

Members of the public in attendance:

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None

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA

Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso, Los Alamos. Asked a clarifying question to Vice Chair Gibson.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Rogers, seconded by Member Tobin, that the June 18, 2021, meeting agenda be approved as presented.

Motion passed unanimously

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

14447-21 Approval of the June 4, 2021, Resiliency Energy and Sustainability Task Force Minutes

Attachments: A - Draft RES Task Force Minutes June 4, 2021

A motion was made by Member Gibson, seconded by Member Barns, that the June 4, 2021, meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. TASK FORCE BUSINESS

14448-21 Transportation and Mobility Subcommittee Update

Attachments: DRAFT 6-18-2021 RES Meeting Minutes

Chair Leonard presented an update regarding the Transportation and Mobility Subcommittee presentation.
Task Force Members made comments and asked clarifying questions.

14449-21 Discuss and Form the Subcommittee to draft Interim Report

Chair Leonard suggested to the Task Force Members that a subcommittee should be created to work on the interim report. The other option is to have each subcommittee be responsible for their own piece of the report.

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Member Barns asked if there would be an option to extend the due date.
Vice Chair suggested draft reports before asking for an extension.
Member Keller asked clarifying questions regarding draft reports.
Ms. Gurule suggested scheduling the presentation to Council be in late August to allow for more time to complete report.
Chair Leonard suggested that the first draft be ready by Tuesday, July 13th, 2021, in preparation for the July 16, 2021 meeting.

6. Reports

A. Chair's Report - Katie Leonard

Chair Leonard reminded Task Force Members that Ms. Gurule is looking for members to be appointed to the Food Waste Composting Feasibility Study.
She also reminded Task Force Members that the Farmers Market public engagement table has started.
Chair Leonard reminded Task Force Members that Laura Paskus lecture on “New Mexico’s Changing Climate” is scheduled for Thursday, July 8th, 2021, at 7:00 pm. This will be available virtually.
There is also a seminar “Science on Tap: Using Fuel Cells to Keep on Trucking” on Monday June 21, 2021, from 5:30pm - 7:00pm.
Chair Leonard was unable to attend the County Council meeting but did send a thank you letter for allowing them to join the Coalition of Sustainable Communities New Mexico.

B. Vice Chair's Report - Robert Gibson

None

C. Subcommittee Reports

a) Natural Gas Reduction Subcommittee

None

b) Electrical Supply and Demand Subcommittee

Member Keller gave a brief update about research on roof top solar.

c) Transportation and Mobility Subcommittee

None

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d) Community Planning and Zoning Subcommittee

None

e) Waste, Consumption and Natural Resources Subcommittee

None

D. Council Liaison Report - Councilor Ryti

Councilor Ryti let the Task Force members know that Transportation Board is looking for members.
The Governor has announced that the Covid restrictions will be removed effective July 1st, 2021.
There will be a concert on July 2nd, 2021, and that will be a good opportunity to meet more people in a public setting.
On Thursday, June 24, 2021, there will be a meet and greet for the three (3) candidates that are in the running for the County Manager position and interviews will be held on Friday, June 25th.
Councilor Ryti suggested adding future recommendations regarding the drawdown of the aquifer or conservation thereof. He noticed that this was not included in the current LARES charter.
Councilor Ryti attended the quarterly Coalition of Sustainable Communities NM via Zoom. He informed the Task Force members about programs that are offered to help the public. Some of the items discussed are statewide based, but there are some other programs that would be helpful in Los Alamos.
He also notified the Task Force Members that LANL was commissioning a Transportation Study that would allow more commuter busses to be used.
Councilor Ryti suggested that the interim report should be provided at the Council Work Session on August 24, 2021.
Councilor Ryti notified the Task Force that the Council will be clarifying their charger at the end of the month based on the Openings Acts Policy. There should not be a change to this Task Force as they allow people to attend via Zoom.

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Ms. Gurule offered to share her notes from attending the Coalition of Sustainable Communities New Mexico.
Chair Leonard asked if she would be allowed to attend these meetings. Ms. Gurule has sent an email regarding this and will get back to Chair with that information.
Member Daly asked if she could access the resource documentation from

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the Coalition of Sustainable Communities New Mexico, and Ms. Gurule will investigate and provide a response.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

9. NEXT MEETING AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future Agenda Item: Review initial drafts from Subcommittee groups.
Next Meeting will be July 16, 2021, from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

10. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Chair Leonard to adjourn the meeting, Member Barns seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Approved
Katie Leonard 7/19/2021

Katie Leonard, Chair Date