



## MEETING MINUTES

### **Mayor's Climate Action Resilience Plan (CARP) Working Group Mitigation Task Force Meeting**

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Evanston Public Library Board Room, 1703 Orrington Ave.

Members Present: Vickie Jacobsen, Christopher Kucharczyk, Lauren Marquez-Viso, Likwan Cheng, Gabriela Martin

Members Absent: Henry Eberhart

Other CARP Members Present: Jack Darin

Guests: none

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- 1. Declaration of Quorum:** The meeting was called to order by Lauren Marquez-Viso at 6:17 p.m. and a quorum was established.
  - 2. Public Comment:** None
  - 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Vickie Jacobson motioned to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2018 meeting, Chris Kucharczyk seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

#### **4. Discussion**

Reviewed and discussed the reduction projection spreadsheet that Gabriela created  
Reviewed and discussed the updated Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory for City of Evanston.

Discussed greenhouse gas mitigation strategies considering energy use; focused on electricity usage and energy efficiency

Commercial footprint is large. Discussed the need for buy-in and collaboration with the "big 6" in Evanston for success of GHG reduction strategies.

Any way to secure or require a REC option for commercial properties?

Discussed Northwestern's sustainability efforts and reviewed their strategic sustainability plan

Discussed strategies for moving beyond aggregation; community solar etc.

Discussed the Illinois Future Energy Jobs Act and how those changes could benefit our community.

Discussed ComEd's energy efficiency programs

Determined that next steps involve digging into the data and setting meaningful reduction targets.

Deliberated the approach to setting reduction targets.

Lauren stated her preference for a 100% renewable electricity goal citywide by 2035. She mentioned other target ideas related to waste and the built environment Discussed challenges with reducing/eliminating natural gas usage; efficiency, switch to electric heating, District heating, Geothermal. Agreed to research natural gas weaning strategies for next meeting  
Interested in these events: 1) Architect Nate Kipnis Designing Evanston's first LEED Platinum home January 25 at the Evanston Historical Society and 2) Wilmette Community Solar meeting Feb. 20 at Wilmette Public Library  
To do: organize questions for Kumar for next meeting; continue researching reduction strategies and goals

- 5. Adjournment:** Chris motioned to close, Lauren Marquez-Viso seconded the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

**Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 30, 2018**