MEETING MINUTES
Mayor’s Climate Action Resilience Plan (CARP)
Working Group Meeting
Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
Evanston Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd, Evanston, IL

Members Present: Likwan Cheng, Bob Dean, Henry Eberhart, Joel Freeman, Jerri Garl, Vickie Jacobsen, Lauren Marquez-Viso, Gabriela Martin, Mariana Oliver, Judy Pollock, Gaj Sivandran

Members Absent: Jack Darin, Christopher Kucharczyk, John Moore, Lonnie Wilson, Emily Lawrence, Sarah Lovinger

Staff Present: Kumar Jensen, Kelly Hutchins

Guests: Alex Wong, Daily Northwestern

1. Declaration of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m. and a quorum was established.

2. Approval of October 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes: It was motioned to approve, a second was voiced, and minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

3. Public Comment: None

4. Final Recommendations for inclusion in Climate Action and Resilience Plan:

If the Working Group would like to respond to each comment, staff can help organize a final document, but responses, structure, and process would be the responsibility of the Working Group. Handout from K. Jensen: revised guiding principles section to capture the public comments and provide clarification. J. Garl recommends a responsiveness summary to comments given.

Staff will submit a resolution, which is a formal action taken by the City Council, expressing its opinion. Without a resolution City Council wouldn’t have an official action to take, and there would be no formal policy adoption.

Resolution to adopt the plan and the goals within the plan. A few high-level goals in the resolution such as will be emphasized:
- Paris Goal
- 100% clean and renewable energy
- Zero Waste

Human Services will vote to move to City Council and then Council will vote to adopt.
A resolution is preferable to an ordinance because an ordinance is really specific. It is much more appropriate to have an ordinance for policies with a far more narrow scope, like individual policies within the plan, rather than the entire plan. Additionally, having it as a resolution allows more flexibility in adjusting as new technologies are adopted, etc.

5. Task Force break out session – Working Group recessed into their respective Task Forces to discuss comments and specifics of plan.

6. Recommendation for a final Working Group meeting – November 13 was selected given availability for Working Group members, and K. Jensen stressed the importance of quorum for that particular meeting as the plan will be voted upon.

7. Adjournment: It was moved and seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Hutchins
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