

Environmental Policy Commission Minutes
 October 3, 2011 Work Session

EPC Members in Attendance

✓	Peter Pennington (Chair)	✓	Danielle Fidler	✓	Kurt Moser
✓	Jennifer Hovis	✓	Patrick Hagan	✓	Phil Voorhees
X	Heather Schaefer	✓	Scott Barstow	X	Geoffrey Goode
X	Bobby Croghan			✓	Rebecca Jablon

[✓ = In attendance X= Absent]

City Staff

Bill Skrabak, Khoa Tran, Bill Eger

Begin 7:30 PM

Welcome and Introductions

- Mike McClanahan of the Office of Management and Budget, Adrienne Fancher of the Alexandria Sanitation Authority (ASA) and Pat Mann of Planning & Zoning were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.

Public Comment

- None

Alexandria Sanitation Authority Project Update, Karen Pallansch, ASA

- Karen gave an update on the ASA's proposed upgrades, long-range planning efforts and the State-of-the-Art-Nitrogen-Upgrade Program (SANUP)
 - o SANUP requires the ASA to remove 62 percent more nitrogen from ASA's treated wastewater
 - o The new facilities will be the first in the U.S. to use the deammonification process (DEMON) technology
 - o The proposed development of the facilities also includes bike paths, underground parking, and green "roof" athletic field.
- Karen raised the possibility of a tour of existing ASA facilities for the EPC.

Alexandria Sanitary Sewer Master Plan, Erin Bevis-Carver, T&ES

- Erin gave the EPC an overview of the draft Master Plan
- Pat Mann gave an overview of the City's growth and development forecasts, which lead to the projection that the City is likely to exceed sewer capacity in 2040
- The Plan identifies the need for more capacity but doesn't give recommendations.
- The Plan is anticipated to be brought to City Council before the end of the year

Re-cap of EPC Retreat

- Khoa transcribed the flip charts, and Peter organized the notes into groups.
- Peter asked that the EPC take a look at the notes and come up with ideas and where EPC members can take part, in particular Peter asked for a member to consider taking up external marketing for Eco-City.

Earth Day Update

- Jennifer announced that the first meeting will be October 4th; this meeting will discuss potential themes and to recap last year's event.
- Earth Day Committee meetings will be the first Tuesday of every month

Administrative Items

- Minutes: Peter tabled the minutes until the upcoming meeting
- Bill S. reported on the Gen-On plant and stated that the regulators had no grid reliability issues related to the plant's closure and so the closure is still on course to happen on or before Oct 1st 2012.
- Jennifer asked EPC members to please look at the Annual Report and let her know of any needed edits.

Adjourn 9:30 PM