

EPC: October 4, 2010

7:30-7:35: Introduction: Members introduce themselves.

7:35-7:45: Public Comments: None

7:45-8:30: Draft Climate Change Action Plan Presentation – Staff and Consultant – See power point presentation – make a presentation on the draft Climate Change Action Plan. According to staff, the plan is focused on short term goals.

EPC suggestions:

-Scott suggests including information about the cost of adaptation actions. Erica suggests this information should be included in the challenges section.

-Bill requests suggest that EPC submit comments collectively. Will take the CCAP to “Council” January or February.

Jen – The Climate subgroup, comprised of Pat, Jessica, Peter, and Scott, will be responsible for collecting comments regarding the draft “CCAP.”

-Bill asks that members copy Khoa and Erica when submitting comments on the CCAP.

-Jen: The EPC will plan for the November 1st work session, the subgroup would present “digested” comments.

-Jen: Comments by members should submit comments by October 18th.

Scott: When would an open house occur?

Bill: Probably early, mid January.

-Scott and others raise the question of when should a public meeting happen.

-Bill will suggest date at the next meeting.

8:45-9:00 Eco-Friendly Restaurant Expo Recap – Tempo Restaurant won the eco friendly restaurant award. 20-30 people attended. Lessons learned: restaurants stored beer bottles to recycle them. Bill suggests piggy backing on the Commonwealth’s green restaurant certification. Bill would also condone the chamber developing a green certification program.

8:30-8:45: EPC Retreat & FY 2011 Priorities Recap –

Jen – See listing of FY 2011 Subgroups. EPC kept green business, benchmarking, trees and outreach for cross cutting/implementation subgroups. See the attached document provided by Jen. EPC should renew focus on each of the principles. Everyone picked two charter principles. Please let Jen know of any concerns or mistakes. EPC reviewed charter principles of the climate action plan. We discussed outreach as a task for the entire panel. Yet, we still have more to do on the overall priorities. We need to acknowledge one or two priorities. Bill – suggests considering the 12 cents transportation tax. The director of transportation will attend the next EPC work session to provide a briefing on the 12 cent tax. Trees remain a priority for the EPC. Pat – still no update from ACPS. Pat will follow up with personnel at ACPS to close the loop.

Outreach: Both Rob and Dell emphasize outreach. Bill: Agenda Alexandria on October 25, 2010. Khoa suggests developing an outreach calendar for the fiscal year. International Walk

to School Day is this Wednesday. The adopt a block clean up is Sunday, October 17. Meet at the Starbucks at Bradley Shopping Center.

Budget letter is due for the Fall. Work with the budget office to determine details.

Bill will get the details on the tree sale that is run by the City. The City tree sale is on October 23, 2010 at GW Middle School.

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