

Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board

Agenda

Wednesday, June 19

City Hall, 749 Main Street, Spruce Room

6:30-8:00pm

Chair: Claudia Lenz

Secretary: Ted Sontrop

6:30-6:40pm:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Current-Meeting's Agenda
- IV. Approval of May 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes
- V. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

6:40-7:45pm:

- VI. Urban Chickens – Final Review and Approval of White Paper-Urban Agriculture – Backyard Hens (Mary Ann)
- VII. Update on Urban Gardens, (Mary Ann and Claudia)
- VIII. Presentation of Energy Efficiency and Renewables (Jim)

7:45-8:00pm:

- IX. Items for next meeting (scheduled for July 17)
- X. Adjourn

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Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, May 15, 2013

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- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Cullen as Chair, Claudia served as Secretary.
- II. Roll Call:** Members present (*in bold*): **Cullen Choi, Mary Ann Heaney, Andy Johnson, Claudia Lenz, Jim Bradford, Mark Persichetti**, Ted Sontrop; Staff Liaison **Dave Szabados**; **City-Council Liaison** Emily Jasiack
- III. Approval of Current-Meeting's Agenda:** The agenda was approved with no changes.
- IV. Approval of February Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were approved with no changes.
- V. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda:** None.
- VI. Urban Chickens** - (Mary Ann) (white paper attached)
Mary Ann presented a further draft of the White Paper Urban Agriculture – Backyard Hens. Mary Ann wants to speak to someone at Boulder County before releasing the urban white paper.

Meg Sandavol from the Urban Hen Coalition was present representing the group in support of urban chickens in Louisville. Meg spoke highly of the benefits of chickens and of wanting to be a good neighbor. She and others from the Urban Hen Coalition, plan on being present at the City Council Study Session on July 9. The Hen Coalition welcomes feedback from those in opposition to backyard hens.

After the through research by LSAB led by Mary Ann on urban chickens in the surrounding areas and in view of the minimal problems experienced by municipalities who have ordinances in place, allowing hens for several years, it is recommended by LSAB to the Planning Department that Louisville allow citizens to raise backyard hens with the following restrictions:

- an owner's application or license and fee that covers administrative costs (\$25 to \$30)
- a prohibition on roosters
- a prohibition on outdoor slaughtering
- a limit of the number of fowl to six maximum; three of any combination geese, turkeys, or ducks plus the addition of a maximum of three hens; or six hens maximum.
- chicken manure cannot go into Western Disposal compost, trash only
- a restriction of coops and runs to backyards

- a maximum 8' height for coops
- a predator-proof construction requirement
- airtight and vermin-proof feed container requirements
- identification of a minimum distance from property lines for coops/runs by using standard accessory structure setback regulations
- an option for code officers to inspect facilities and/or respond to complaints
- a building permit application for coops in excess of 120 feet
- development of educational materials (best practices, how to care for hens, basic requirements for coop design, links to available resources, etc.) for prospective owners

VII. Report on Building Code Board of Appeals status (Andy)

Andy attended the BCBoA Meeting. He stated that the ICC building codes are on their agenda but no direct discussion. That the ICC is just a part of the suite of building code review. Andy doesn't believe LSAB should be making recommendations to the Building Code Board of Appeals. He suggested we remove it from our Agenda.

VIII. Update on Urban Gardens (Mary Ann)

Urban Gardens deferred to next meeting.

VIII. Update on CU's Baseline Energy-Efficiency Study (Dave)

Dave said the study is finished. There is a November/December timeframe for council presentation. There is a lot of information to digest and dovetail with study recommendation.

IX. Items for next meeting (scheduled for May 15)

1. Promoting Energy Conservation (Jim) (power point presentation attached)
2. Urban gardens (Mary Ann)

X. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

2013 Schedule, Deadlines, Assignments

Please note due dates for sending documents to Kerry.

Circulate Draft Agenda to board for review and comment	Send final Agenda, previous Minutes to Kerry Holle	Meeting Date	Chair	Secretary
January 4	January 8	January 16	Andy	Mary Ann
February 8	February 12	February 20	Mary Ann	Mark

March 8	March 12	March 20	Mark	Ted Jim
April 5	April 9	April 17	Ted Jim	Cullen Mary Ann
May 3	May 7	May 15	Cullen	Claudia
June 7	June 11	June 19	Claudia	Jim Ted
July 5	July 9	July 17	Jim Ted	Andy
August 9	August 13	August 21	Andy	Mary Ann Cullen
September 6	September 10	September 18	Mary Ann	Mark
October 4	October 8	October 16	Mark	Ted
November 8	November 12	November 20	Ted	Cullen
December 6	December 10	December 18	Cullen	Claudia

*Denotes a substitute for that person that month.

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energy efficiency and renewables

Jim Bradford

Energy efficiency and renewables

Louisville could take additional steps to promote energy efficiency, renewables (EE/R) and the reduction of greenhouse gasses.

- Some questions include:
- What is the level of interest?
- What are the reasons for the City wanting to encourage EE/R?
- Where would the City best spend any time or resources to best promote energy efficiency and renewables?
- By what criteria would we measure value and set goals?

Barriers

- Low awareness
- Access to limited information
- Owners don't know how to proceed
- Limited staffing or time
- Lack of funding
- Long payback

Residential Programs

- Appliance rebates
- AC system rebates
- New construction programs
- Lighting programs
- Whole house
- Audit programs (energysmart with rebates)
- Direct install
- Behavioral programs

Commercial programs

- Business EE programs
- Lighting
- HVAC system rebates
- Retrocommissioning
- Whole block
- Behavioral programs
- Direct install
- Performance contracting
- Others

Outreach

- Website: examples
 - Denver: <http://www.denverenergy.org/>,
 - Boulder: <http://www.energysmartyes.com>
 - Fort Collins: <http://www.fcgov.com/utilities/residential/conserve/>
 - Xcel Energy: [https://www.xcelenergy.com/Save Money & Energy](https://www.xcelenergy.com/Save_Money_&_Energy)
- Media buys
- Direct calls
- Bill stuffers
- Events
- Channel 8
- Leverage Xcel Energy and Boulder capabilities

Funding

- Xcel Energy
- Boulder County
- Financing Programs
- City funds
- Small Muni
- Grants

Typical steps

- Enabling legislation
- Market study (CU Denver GHG footprint study)
- Program design (It is usually smart to do a pilot program before full scale)
- Program implementation
- Evaluation
- Start all over again