

Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board

Agenda

**Wednesday, July 17
City Hall, 749 Main Street, Spruce Room
6:30-8:00pm**

Chair: Jim Bradford
6:30-6:40pm:

Secretary: Andy

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Current-Meeting's Agenda
- IV. Approval of June 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes
- V. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

6:40-7:45pm:

- VI. Urban Chickens – Review of recent Study Session (Mary Ann)
- VII. Update on Urban Gardens, (Mary Ann and Claudia)
- VIII. Energy Efficiency and Renewables (Jim)

7:45-8:00pm:

- IX. Items for next meeting (scheduled for August 21)
- X. Adjourn

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Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, June 19th, 2013

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I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm by Claudia Chair. Mary Ann served as Secretary for Ted who recently resigned.

II. Roll Call: Members present (*in bold*): Cullen Choi, **Mary Ann Heaney, Andy Johnson, Claudia Lenz, Jim Bradford, Mark Persichetti**; 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 May's Meeting Minutes: The minutes were approved with no changes.

V. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda:

Lea Yancy was present representing the Boulder County Sustainability office.

Mark asked members if they thought LSAB should obtain a table for the Labor Day events in the park. The board agreed unanimously that Mark should arrange for a table.

Emily provided an update on recent Council affairs

VI. Urban Chickens - (Mary Ann)

Mary Ann reported that Troy Russ reviewed the White Paper and added comments that made the paper less pro chicken also to address code related issues. She is revising the paper and will forward to Troy once again, and LSAB, next week.

She had also spoken with city staffs in Lakewood, Highlands Ranch, Stapleton, and Denver to obtain their comments on urban hen issues in their towns. Those comments will be added to the paper before forwarding to Troy.

Lynn provided information on Boulder County's policies regarding farm animals.

VII. Update on Urban Gardens (Mary Ann)

Mary Ann and Claudia reported that they had attempted to determine exactly what the City would need from a garden group using city lands; insurance, proof of non-profit status, 501-C mandatory? Dave indicated he would try and obtain directions from staff.

Dave has been discussing the proposed garden with Parks and Rec staff. There may be the option to use the plot of land across from the proposed site for the garden.

Andy showed two graphics he had drawn for the site.

VIII. Energy Efficiency/Renewables (Jim)

Jim presented slides on the fundamentals of energy efficiency and renewables. He asked the group how and why Louisville should approach these issues. Dave suggested a formal, written Sustainability Plan.

Lea said that a sustainability tax had been proposed for Boulder County (2014). She indicated grants might be available. She summarized sustainable actions other cities in the county have taken. She recommended that Louisville review and use/participate in the county's Sustainability Plan in developing our own.

Jim asked members to identify possible reasons the City should adopt an efficiency/renewable approach. The advantages of incentives vs. codes were discussed.

Jim will provide a more detailed presentation at the next meeting.

IX. Noise (Mary Ann/Emily)

Emily summarized actions the City has promised to take to eliminate train horns; money has been budgeted for a study, Louisville is working with several cities in Boulder County to alleviate the noise, Facility's money has been budgeted for improvements to crossings (2014-2016).

Mary Ann asked if the board felt that the issue should be addressed by LSAB. Mark said he felt that it fell under the Livable Cities principles (horn noise being deterrent to a pleasant, livable environment). Other members agreed.

She stated that the noise is not just an irritant but also a health hazard and that should be considered when evaluating the need for quiet zones. Noise levels far exceed those recommended by the World Health Organization for nocturnal noise exposure. And it is well documented that noise causes a myriad of health related conditions: cardiovascular problems, complicates pregnancy, reduces the learning ability of students in schools located close to noise sources, etc.

X. Items for next meeting

1. Promoting Energy Conservation (Jim)
2. Train Noise (Mary Ann)
3. Urban gardens (Mary Ann/Claudia)
4. Backyard hen white paper (Mary Ann)

XI. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

2013 Schedule is on the next page....

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 Mary Ann
July 5	July 9	July 17	Jim	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	Cullen
November 8	November 12	November 20	Cullen	Claudia
December 6	December 10	December 18	Claudia	Jim

*A name crossed out followed by a second name denotes a substitute for that meeting.