

Meeting Date	February 23, 2018
Meeting Place	City Hall, Second Floor Conference Room
Meeting Called to Order	4:03 PM
Meeting Adjourned	

Attendees

Name	Present	Absent
Padraic McGrath		
Erik Lueders		
Richard Janis		
Kim Hoskins		
Deborah Frank		
Paul Marske		
John Berendzen		
Danelle Haake		X
Jeffrey Tomlich		

Also Present:

Steve Wylie, Staff Liason

Tom Applebaum (YGreene, PACE financing program)

Danelle absent, Tom Applebaum guest

1. Meeting called to order at 4:03 PM
2. Minutes Approval: Kim Hoskins – motion to approve; Padraic McGrath seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.
3. Overview of YGreene Program by Tom Applebaum. They help administer the residential PACE program for the Missouri Energy Savings Program (“district” put together by the county but operates independently). Tom is making sure municipalities are aware of the program and is available to answer any questions. Program will be expanding to outstate Missouri.
4. Introduction of new commission member, Deb Frank. Recently retired from the MoBOT. Was vice president of sustainability for the Missouri Botanical Garden. Still contracts with the Deer Creek Watershed Alliance.
5. Paul and Rich are term-limited and will be finished serving April 1, 2018. Paul is the current chairperson; new chairperson needs to be elected. Minimum one year off the commission before members can be re-appointed. Next commission meeting will nominate the chair and possibly vice-chair.
6. Green Dining District Update: Letter was mailed out a few weeks ago; commission members need to follow-up with the restaurants. Phone calls or in-person visits to make sure they got the letter and see what questions they have. Updates for the next meeting. Everyone needs to reach out.
7. Grant Update: Just turned in 3rd quarterly report. One more report to submit that needs to have the second set of survey results and additional educational opportunities (links in the survey distribution).
8. Bike Share Program at Webster University.

9. Green Business Challenge/Green Cities Challenge: Overview by Deb. Deb would like us to consider joining the program and/or at a minimum that we get ideas from the considerations in the sustainability options. Given what we are asking restaurants to consider, can we expect the City to uphold the same/similar standards. University City is the only St. Louis municipality to do it last year. May provide good direction for the Commission.
10. Motion to close the meeting; Deb. Second: John. Approved at 5:25 pm.

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Tom Applebaum – Missouri Energy Savings Program

Clean Energy Development Board to

2010 MO passed statute. Tom started St. Louis City (Set the Pace St. Louis) in 2013. Residential has different priorities. 20 year finance time. YGreene; only residential PACE program provider. Also operates in California, Florida, MO. Missouri Energy Savings Program – board put together by the county. Own political “district”. Does not answer to the County. Tom is reaching out to municipalities in the County to make sure they know the program is there/available. Ygrene reports to the Board – tells the Board the number of projects, answers questions, consumer protections are in-place. Ygrene talks to every property owner on the phone at the time of application. Not a grant, not free money. It is a loan that is paid back on property taxes.

Interest rates/terms are more favorable. Other benefits include it doesn't use your credit; isn't FICO-limited. Underwriting criteria (equity, bankruptcy, property taxes, etc.). Energy audits are not part of the process. Speeds up the approval process by not requiring an energy audit.

There is a list of eligible improvements.