

MINUTES
INNOVATION, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
May 10, 2022
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN

CALL TO ORDER BY: Chairperson Strickfaden at 6:34 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jon Aldred, Nikolas deWit, Aaron Paluzzi, Erin Quetell, David Richardson, Nick Rudofski, Matt Strickfaden

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jennifer Whitteaker, Mark Zachos

OTHERS PRESENT: Joe Valentine, Assistant City Manager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Rudofski, Support by Quetell to approve the agenda as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Motion by Quetell, Support by Aldred to approve the minutes of April 26, 2022 as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously

AGENDA ITEMS

Review and discuss committee member ideas and rankings for developing objectives

Chairperson Strickfaden offered the committee members present at the last meeting the opportunity to present their ideas. Member Paluzzi was present and declined as his ideas were already represented on the list.

Member Richardson wanted more time to change the list of ideas. He suggested having electric vehicle clusters near the bus lines. He also discussed the opportunity for energy efficient systems in residential HVAC units.

Member Paluzzi suggested the committee should focus on items that affect residents lives most directly. He also discussed enhancements to HVAC equipment.

The committee discussed the potential for combining some items on the list but ultimately decided not to combine any items.

Chairperson Strickfaden indicated any ideas requiring funding needs to have funding sources identified when the priorities are presented.

Member Quetell suggested considering items that could be accomplished in the near term and letting regional initiatives continue to evolve and focus on more local issues at the present time.

The committee discussed community gardens and the challenges and opportunities with this initiative.

Member Quetell inquired what other current issues is the City facing and the Assistant City Manager indicated stormwater management and urban deer. The committee discussed these topics.

Member Richardson requested his item number 5 on the list (Geothermal District Program) be removed. The committee concurred.

The committee discussed reviewing the list again at its next meeting to try and finalize its priorities.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Strickfaden adjourned the meeting at 8:16 pm.

Minutes drafted by: Joe Valentine for Secretary deWit.