AGENDA
COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO

Regular Meeting
January 28, 2015
6:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers
911 10th Street

1. Roll Call & Sustainability Pledge

   The mission of the Community Sustainability Advisory Board is to assist the City of Golden in defining and achieving its sustainability goals and to empower the community to live in a way that assures a high quality of life for current and future generations.

2. Approval of the Agenda

3. Approval of the Minutes from December 3, 2014

4. Public Comment

5. Staff and Board Updates

6. Action Items

   A. Smart Water Meters and 2015 projects 6:45 – 7:15 pm

      Board member Jeff Oxenford and staff will present a proposed timeline for the Advanced Meter Infrastructure (AMI) rollout and discuss how the Board can provide educational support.

   B. Zero Waste Events 7:15 – 8:00 pm

      The Board will discuss how to integrate and encourage zero waste best practices into signature city events, such as Buffalo Bill Days, 4th of July parade, and various community festivals.

   C. Upcoming Meeting with City Council 8:00 – 8:30 pm

      The Board will meet with City Council on February 5th to present its recently-completed 2015 Sustainability Strategic Plan and will discuss the Board’s goals for Zero Waste Events and implementation of the Pay-As-You-Throw Ordinance passed last November.

7. New Business

   A. Agenda topics for next meeting February 25, 2015 8:30 – 8:45 pm

8. Adjourn

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CITY OF GOLDEN
COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2014

PRESENT:  Kurt Bendl
Jim Dale
Jeff Oxenford
Whitney Painter
Philip Saieg
Maya Silver
Karen Smith

STAFF: Theresa Worsham, Sustainability Coordinator
Steve Glueck, Director, Community & Economic Dev.
Denise Hish, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:

   Philip called the business meeting to order at 6:30.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

   With a motion from Whitney and a second by Karen, the agenda was unanimously approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 22, 2014:

   With a motion from Maya and a second by Jim the minutes were unanimously approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

   None
5. STAFF AND BOARD UPDATES

STAFF:

None

BOARD:

Jim distributed a 4 page guide titled *An Introduction to Health In All Policies* (designed for State and Local Governments) and would like to see this used by CSAB and City Council. Website for more information [www.apha.org/hiap](http://www.apha.org/hiap).

The Planning Commission and CSAB joint meeting was held recently. The Board members shared what was discussed at that meeting and Whitney also stated that at this meeting all parties agreed to have future meetings about the natural gas (outdoor fireplace) issue. Rick will coordinate for joint meetings in 2015.

Philip shared that he attended the Council meeting recently when they discussed the proposed PAYT Ordinance. Theresa did a great job articulating the need to have an Ordinance. He shared that 6 or 7 people were there for Public Comment in opposition but the Ordinance did pass 7 to 1. Phillip felt that most of the questions or comments that these individuals had were answered at the meeting but there may still be a need for more education.

Whitney said she was contacted by a Council member to clarify if CSAB was discussing incentives for businesses to recycle. There was a discussion about commercial recycling incentives in a previous CSAB meeting but Theresa said that we did discuss at some point if we could do that but by statute the City couldn’t. Theresa also said we will try and facilitate a structure that could work well for all the businesses but the City couldn’t and would not offer any incentive to businesses. Jim felt we may need to speak to DDA sometime about this topic and keep this a discussion early in 2015. PAYT Ordinance goes into effect in July and Theresa is hoping at our January meeting we can look at a proposal for downtown recycling (hoping to have answers for how it will operate, how cardboard recycling will be handled, cost, set up cost, etc). Steve added that the downtown streetscape really needs to have either Sunday pickup or twice on Saturday during the summer. Unfortunately the bulk of the food and beverage containers downtown are not recyclable. After much discussion, the group felt it was important to collect data to find out what is being thrown away and recycled downtown where does this trash come from?

Kirk asked if there is a plan to change the streetscape and add more or different trash bins. Steve gave an explanation and that included that there will probably be no changes before 2016. Steve would also like to see the changes in front of Woody’s and D Deli first those seem to be the most congested sidewalk areas. Kirk added
that this may be a great time to talk about a water system downtown (water stations/fountains for filling bottles for humans and pets) also. Would there be a possibility of getting discounted

Kirk asked if anyone heard that Lakewood recently passed a tweak in their code to release liability for contractors. Steve said there are no plans to do this in Golden.

6. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Transportation Issues
Community and Economic Development Director Steve Glueck updated the Board about recent walkability, biking and light rail projects. The Board discussed potential opportunities to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in 2015.

Per capita VMT Ñ Steve suggested everyone Google and see what comes up Ñ some really interesting articles.

Theresa stated that we do have a few years of VMT data and we know the traffic counts are down but not really because of anything we have done in Golden Ñ it’s just the trend, just like everywhere else. Theresa said we have good methodology but Council wanted better information for walkability and bikability but that is really hard process.

Steve shared some things that we are doing today for walkability/bikeability:
• 173 apartments going in by the light rail station
• New dorms on the CSM campus
• ADU (accessory dwelling units) program
• Grocery store that you can walk to (Natural Grocers)
• Complete streets on Heritage Road (giving better bikeability/walkability)
• Colfax URA projects
• Discussed potential of adding a 4th bus to do a 15 minute route instead of a 30 minute route to and from light rail. Discussed getting bus service to Ward Road.
• Bike storage Ñ Looking at potentially 20 or 30 open rack bike spaces in the parking structure at the light rail station.

Plan on doing:
• Car sharing Ñ getting it done has been difficult but we are still talking to vendors.
• Bike Share / Bike Library Ñ on Planning Commission meeting in 2015 and this Committee may also be interested in those discussions.

What other interesting things would you like to see Golden participate in Ñ let Steve or Theresa know.
B. Triple Bottom Line Policies (cont’d)
The Board continued its review of recent sustainability projects that have used TBL criteria in decision making and a TBL example currently being used in the public health industry – Health In All Policies (HIAP)/

Theresa, Jeff and Philip met and went through TBL on 2 different projects and distributed the results:
- Community Center Solar Photovoltaic Project
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

3 main categories for each:
1. Environmental Sustainability
2. Economic Sustainability
3. Social Sustainability

Karen suggested we really start using this on all the projects/goals and start possibly presenting in this format to Council.

Add Health in All Policies – combine some of these things along with the TBL but need to keep this concise and simple and make a template. Maya suggested having a rating on each section and then an overall rating to compare projects.

Theresa will work on a template and then put the zero waste projects into this format.

C. Zero Waste Events
The Board discussed how to integrate and encourage zero waste best practices into signature city events, such as Buffalo Bill Days, 4th of July parade and various community festivals.

Whitney brought up the issue of the City hiring a Part-Time Event Coordinator, which led to the discussion - can this be part of the roles/responsibilities of this job? Will the job description of this candidate require that they be familiar with low waste/zero waste events? Should CSAB send a letter to Mike Bestor to include the language that the CSAB would like the new person to support zero waste events and support sustainability goals. Karen felt we should be involved as we have been working toward zero waste for almost 4 years now and would like to see this actually become a reality.

Theresa explained that right now there are 3 tiers of events and we could look at adding requirements for different resources such as zero waste / water stations / bike corrals, etc. depending on the level of event. Theresa will put together a guideline for low waste or zero waste events for the special events packet.
Philip suggested maybe we do an update to Council and bring this issue to them with it here is an opportunity to make an impact to move forward with zero waste events. Impact the event application and the hiring of the Events Coordinator ideas. Steve suggested getting on the February 5th Study Session meeting agenda.

Things to consider:
- Zero waste guidance
- Permit requirements
- Review of permit requirements
- Enforcement of events
- New events coordinator job description (have experience in zero waste events)

Theresa will send draft to CSAB.

7. NEXT MEETING:

Agenda topics for next meeting on January 28, 2015
- TBL template itch will send by email prior to meeting
- Tiered water rates discussion
- Downtown recycling proposal
- Low waste/zero waste events

February 25th meeting agenda
- Resilience Plan discussion
- 2015 IBC & IECC collaboration with Planning Commission

ADJOURN:
Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.