PRESENT:  
Tom Atkins  
Chuck Baroch (arrived at 7:10)  
Scott Morrissey  
Gunter Ritter

ABSENT:  
Susan Buhr  
Hillary Mizia  
Karen Smith  
Anne Beierle, Deputy Director Env/Utilities

STAFF:  
Theresa Worsham, Sustainability Coordinator  
Denise Hish, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:  
Bob Wilson, Candidate for RTD District

CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:  

Because there was not a quorum until 7:10, when Chuck Baroch arrived, Tom Atkins, Chair, called the business meeting to order at 7:10.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:  

Agenda was approved as written, but a short discussion on regarding the PAYT Trash hauler update was added.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 9, 2010:  

With no changes, the minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:  

Chuck Courtad, gave update on the area of 14th and Jackson – passed out a site plan. One area is for CSP for educational purposes. How to have a solar thermal and geothermal on site (will have CSM students help). Solar tree house – 5 teams have been designing a solar tree house with a slide. Xcel Energy (administered by the Denver Foundation) gave $75,000 grant for education. Working with Martin/Martin to design a professional site plan; to demonstrate to students, teachers and general public the most sustainable site.
Chuck said he would welcome comments or suggestions from this Board. He went on to say that several local businesses have donated funds and equipment for this project, including Home Depot and Bobcat of the Rockies. Chuck Baroch inquired as to what the zoning was on this property and Mr. Courrad replied it is zoned C-2.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. West Corridor Station electric charging stations**

Bob Wilson, candidate for RTD district, provided a presentation on efforts to install charging stations for electric vehicles at the planned Jefferson County light rail station.

**B. Strategic Plan**

The Board reviewed a preliminary draft of a Strategic Plan to provide guidance in achieving the City’s Sustainability Goals.

Theresa distributed the most recent draft plan, dated Aug. 24, with all the changes that were discussed at the August 9 meeting, but explained that more information needs to be added about the City projects.

Chuck felt we should list timelines for the various activities and who is responsible for each goal. Tom felt Chuck was seeing this more as a tactical plan instead of a strategic plan. Some of those tactics need to be addressed, as we go forward. Scott said we need to keep the City budget in mind also and we won’t be able to do all of these things at once. Gunter felt we did the right thing by focusing our energy on the strategic plan, but also agreed with Chuck that we can now start moving toward a tactical plan and schedule. Theresa said that Council will want to do a work plan with this Board next year that will hopefully help to prioritize projects. (Solid Waste section – Chuck asked Theresa to delete the Editors notes that he had written).

Theresa will move forward – any changes or comments, should get to Theresa soon so she can start finalizing the report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Tom - Update on Community Solar Garden**

Scott, Theresa and Tom were at a meeting with a group yesterday that are tracking this issue. He stated that it still looks like this is an opportunity for a public/private partnership with the City, however it is clear that this is complicated. Tom stated that we need to be ready with a proposal and all our homework done, to present to Xcel when they are ready. The PUC will not issue the rules for how this works until sometime next year. Very complicated issue, but could be very important for our community. Theresa said we have received calls from interested citizens and interested solar companies.
B. Trash
Theresa distributed a memo to update everyone on the City trash program and to speak to the recent postcard. She did point out that there are going to be hiccups in this program and EDS is very aware of that fact and there will be many questions and hopefully we can remain focused and answer everyone. Scott, representative with Waste Management, joined the group and talked to the fact that the postcards went to all Golden mailing addresses, which led to more confusion for those not affected by the City trash program. As a side note, Edgewater is presently a single hauler and Wheat Ridge is putting this on the ballot to start using single hauler.

C. Net Zero Report – Gunter
Gunter distributed and shared a few details of the Net-zero report by Peter Ewers. It outlines a 3-step process to select, design and upgrade a home in Golden to net-zero. Tom asked Gunter to send an outline to Theresa with ideas of funding and next steps, prior to the next meeting.

STAFF UPDATE:
None

ADJOURN:
Meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

NEXT MEETING:
Monday, September 13, City Hall Conference Room, at 6:30pm (Gunter will not be able to attend this meeting).

Board members agreed that a budget discussion is needed at the next meeting. By next meeting members were asked to be ready to discuss budget and what projects may be accomplished by the end of the year.