



GREENPRINT STEERING COMMITTEE
York Room, Markham Civic Centre
September 18, 2014, 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Attendance

Committee

Mayor Frank Scarpitti – ex-officio
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Howard Shore

Staff

Andy Taylor, CAO
Trinela Cane, Commissioner of Corporate Services
Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community Services
Prabhjit Banga, Sustainability Coordinator
Karen Evans, Senior Advisor, Corporate Communications
Amanda Martin, MECO Coordinator
Graham Seaman, Senior Manager, Sustainability Office
Jennifer Wong, Sustainability Advisory
Jessica Yau, Community Food Animator
Kitty Bavington, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Councillor Logan Kanapathi

The Greenprint Steering Committee convened at 1:35 pm with Councillor Valerie Burke presiding as Chair.

1. Disclosure of Interest – None Declared

2. Minutes of Meeting – April 8, 2014

Moved by: Councillor Howard Shore
Seconded by: Councillor Valerie Burke

That the minutes of the Greenprint Steering Committee meetings of April 8, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. Update on the Sustainability Office's Corporate and Community Energy initiatives

Graham Seaman introduced the presentation.

Amanda Martin gave a presentation to update the Committee on the Corporate Energy Management Plan and the Community Energy Plan portion was presented by Jennifer Wong.

The Corporate Energy Management Plan presentation reviewed the energy project selection, the top projects for 2013 and 2014, and the goals and objectives of the Plan. The targets vs. actual performance indicated an annual savings of over \$200,000 in 2013, including the early stages of LED streetlight retrofits. The 2014 forecast indicates a saving of almost \$1 million over the two years. Discussions included demand response, the sustainability of the heated parking ramp, staff dressing down during summer months to conserve air conditioning requirements, and other matters.

The recommendation of the Committee will be presented to General Committee and to Council for endorsement.

Moved by: Councillor Howard Shore
Seconded by: Councillor Valerie Burke

1. That the presentation “Corporate and Community Energy Update” be received; and,
2. That the Corporate Greenhouse Gas emissions target of 5% reduction from 2012 to 2019 be adopted; and,
3. That the Corporate Energy Management Plan that recommends the measures to achieve the 5% reduction be received; and,
4. That staff submit both the 5% reduction target and Corporate Energy Management Plan to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Partner’s for Climate Protection program to achieve milestone’s two and three for the corporation; and further,
5. That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

4. Municipal Energy Plan (MEP)

Jennifer Wong gave a presentation comparing the Corporate Energy Management Plan with the Municipal Energy Plan, and outlined the MEP project outcomes, program updates, and timelines. Community Energy Plan and Municipal Energy Plan are interchangeable terms.

The Committee discussed setting and monitoring emission targets to 2050, and youth-oriented initiatives to engage those that will be most impacted by the zero waste and emissions. It is important to identify the causes of energy consumption and how can we realistically reduce it. Budget deployment for the 2015 projects were discussed, including funding from the Ministry of Energy, community partnerships, and utilizing best practices.

Further details and timelines will be provided at the next Greenprint meeting in mid-2015.

5. Next Steps

Food Security Update – targeting December 2014
Corporate Sustainability Reporting Update – targeting early 2015

ADJOURNMENT

The Greenprint Steering Committee meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.