

Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee

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The Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee (ACPAC) is an advisory body to the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) and the Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC)

Draft Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 10, 2010
Room 4/5
5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

ACPAC members: Deron Lovaas – Chair, Bahri Aliriza, Bill Butler, Beverly Fourier, Sally Kane, Caroline Petti, Rick Reiss, Larry Zaragoza

Staff: Joan Rohlf, Maia Davis

1. Call to Order, Adoption of Agenda, Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm. The agenda was approved with the move of the microgrid discussion to the first presentation of the evening. The minutes of December 13, 2010 were approved with no changes.

2. District of Columbia Draft Climate Action Plan (Daniel Barry, District Department of Environment)

Daniel Barry provided an overview of the District of Columbia Draft Climate Action Plan. The plan primarily addresses climate mitigation. The public comment period for government operations was recently completed and public comment for the community inventory and measures will occur later in 2011. Climate adaptation planning will be a separate process that will occur beyond the Climate Action Plan adoption.

ACPAC members had questions related to how and why the CO₂ equivalent per DC resident is higher in comparison to other large US cities. Members also had several comments such as the need for improving rapid bus transit and addressing air quality issues associated with energy efficiency improvements.

3. Orientation to ACPAC (Joan Rohlf, DEP Staff)

Joan reviews the organization context, history and purpose of MWAQC, CEEPC and ACPAC. Joan discussed ACPAC's mission, issues that the committee will be addressing in 2011 and how new 2011 members will be selected. Vice chair, Larry Zaragoza, welcomed all attendees interested in becoming new members and reminded everyone that these are open meetings and everyone is welcome to come even if they are not selected to become an official member of the committee.

4. Draft Comment Letter to US Department of Energy Home Energy Score (Maia Davis, DEP Staff)

At the December 2010 ACPAC meeting, members decided that a comment letter should be drafted on the Home Energy Score. The draft comment letter was presented and member feedback was requested on the letter. Members provided clarifications and added examples of financial resources and incentives that could be provided to homeowners. ACPAC approved the letter to be sent with the changes included.

5. Committee Updates

The next CEEPC meeting will be held January 26, 2011 and the next MWAQC meeting will be held February 23, 2011. Both committee activities for 2010 and upcoming 2011 activities were discussed during the Orientation to ACPAC presentation. Some of the featured activities coming up in the January and February include continuing

to move forward with the WE CAN challenge, the adaptation planning project, a district energy workshop and an electric vehicle workshop.

6. Chair and Vice Chair Nominations

The ACPAC nominating committee for 2011 chair and vice chair including Deron Lovaas, Larry Zaragoza and Sally Kane. The committee nominated Caroline Petti for chair and Beverly Fourier for vice chair.

7. Adjourn

The committee decided to have the next meeting on February 28. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

Next meeting: February 28 – 5:30pm – Room 4/5
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