

Energy and Air Quality Advisory Committee (EAQAC)
Monthly Meeting Agenda and Notes

Wednesday, February 3rd, 2016 at 7:00pm

“Fishbowl” Conference Room

DEP, 255 Rockville Pike, Ste 120

Agenda items marked with ** require pre-meeting preparation

Members present: Foroud Arsanjani, Sean Boyle, David Kathan, Reuven Walder, Kavita Vaidyanathan, Linda Tsang, Jamie Pierce, Christina England

Members absent:

Guests: Councilmember Berliner, Drew Morrison (Berliner’s Legislative Aide), Ed Comer (Nomination Pending), Dan Lauf (Nomination Pending), Chris Avery (Nomination Pending), Michal Friedman (Sierra Club), Astrid Caldas (Nomination Pending)

Staff: Stan Edwards, Michelle Vigen, Lindsey Shaw

Proposed Agenda

1. Welcome/Introductions
2. Approve Agenda - *Approved*
3. Approve January 2015 Minutes - *Approved*
4. Meeting Key Objectives
 - a. Councilmember Berliner/Staff “Energy and Air Quality objectives 2016”
 - i. *CM Berliner attended EAQAC, accepting an invitation to share thoughts on the County and its needs and objectives as related to EAQAC. He described how he has pursued all of the opportunities he sees available to tackle at this point and that now the focus should be on implementation and getting the necessary staff and resources to fulfill these opportunities. He described initiatives to measure and evaluate our policy progress, utility reliability and 2.0 efforts, the Green Bank, microgrids, residential PACE and the International Green Construction Code (IgCC). He invited the group to share any additional policy ideas with him at any time.*
 - ii. *The group discussed how they wanted to move forward. Staff encouraged the group to engage with the existing implementation efforts, such as the Green Bank Work Group, and provided links to subscribe to DEP’s energy newsletters.*
 - b. Committee 2016 “Digital & Living” Guidelines to be Approved for filing- Linda
 - i. *This document is a working/“living” file and will continue to be updated throughout the year. Foroud and Linda are working on edits.*
 - c. Review Committee 2016 Organizational Structure, Tasks
 - d. **Review and Finalize and Assign Committee proposed 2016 Goals
 - e. **Discuss 2016 Goal assignments and deliverables
 - i. *To better focus the goals discussion, each subcommittee group plan to meet to discuss the proposed 2016 goals and select 2-3 from the list to focus on this year. Prior to the meeting, subcommittee members will email the subcommittee chairs (Jamie and David) with their thoughts and goal preferences. The subcommittee chairs will report out on the goal selections.*
 - f. **Proposed 2016 Committee Calendar (COO/Sean to coordinate) discussion and Draft

5. Committee Updates and New Agenda

Due to the number of updates and limited committee time available, please prepare short and concise updates highlighting; key issues and any proposed follow-up actions needed

- a. Air Quality – Radon legislation updates (Jaime/Stan)
 - b. Air quality : Industry updates
 - i. *Reuven noted that a new ASHRAE standard for residential indoor air quality recently came out and offered to prepare a short presentation for the group.*
 - c. Energy – Industry update commercial
 - d. Energy Industry updates Residential
 - e. Regulatory updates: Energy, Air Quality
 - f. Home Energy Score conversation (Reuven) On hold
 - g. Energy – Energy Coach (Reuven) On Hold
 - h. Energy – WH Initiative – monitoring (David/Kavita) On HOLD
 - i. E&AQ – Clean Power Plan – monitoring (Sean/Linda) ON Hold
 - j. **Review legislation/finalize action - Chap 3 and 18 (Christina)
 - k. ** Use of EAQAC committee Drop box (Michelle): <http://bit.ly/EAQACdocs>
 - l. ** Creation of EAQAC conference calling number; (641) 715-3580 Pin: 772-832
- 6. Subcommittee Meeting Time (pending time availability)**
- 7. Staff and Member Announcements**
- a. February Meeting: ICF Residential? *Michelle reiterated (from the last meeting) that there was no additional value in this request since the presentation was already given by William Ellis, Pepco*
 - b. 2016 Calendar
 - c. Staff updates
 - i. *Montgomery County has been selected to partner with the U.S. DOE on the SEED Collaborative, which will assist the County with managing and analyzing commercial building energy benchmarking data.*
 - ii. *DEP is holding a Commercial PACE Open House event on February 16, 2016, and provided a registration link to attend.*
 - iii. *DEP and USGBC-NCR are cohosting the 3rd Annual Montgomery County Energy Summit. The Summit will include the official launch of the C-PACE program, sessions about the Green Bank, IgCC and green building codes, and solar energy technology. Learn more and register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/montgomery-county-energy-summit-2016-tickets-21426508263>.*
 - iv. *Green Bank meetings are still occurring. EAQAC members are invited to attend. A final report on the Green Bank is expected in June.*
- 8. Open Forum/Public Comment**
- 9. Next Meeting: March 2nd, 2015 at 7pm**