

Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board - Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 13, 2025

City Council Briefing Center

Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM by Brian Henning

Public Comment: Citizens are invited to address the Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board on any topic not on the agenda. 3 Minutes each.

- None

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Brian Henning, Amanda Parrish, Kathryn Alexander, Bob Lutz, Larry Luton, Happy Avery, Elyse Hochstadt, Kerry Brooks, Hala Zahalqa, Kit Parker
- Board Members Not Present: Kevin Fagan, Lea Molina, Matt Hollon
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Staff Members Present: Jon Snyder, Tirrell Black, Emily King, Maren Murphy, KayCee Downey, Loren Searl, Marlene Feist, Elizabeth Schoedel, Logan Callen, Katherine Miller, Kelly Thomas, Doug Greenlund, Kirstin Davis, Spencer Gardner

Minutes: Minutes from 2/13/2025 approved unanimously.

Briefing Session:

- **Chair Report** - Brian Henning
 - Brian let everyone know that he did not have a chair report to ensure there was enough time to get through the packed agenda.
- **Secretary Report** - Jon Snyder
 - Jon also had no report since there was such a large agenda.

Current Agenda: The current agenda was approved.

Hearing Item(s):

- Aquifer Protection Area Resolution
 - Presentation provided by staff member: Marlene Feist, Public Works
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- **Motion**
 - *I [Larry Luton] move that we [the Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board] recommend the Aquifer Protection Area Resolution to the City Council. Seconded by Amanda Parrish.*
Public Testimony provided by:
 - Ben Brattebo, Spokane County
 - Monica Lowney, West Plains Water Coalition
 - Katelyn Scott, Spokane Riverkeepers
 - John Hancock, West Plains Water CoalitionDeliberation ensued.
 - **Motion passes unanimously 10-0-0.**
Voted for by name: Brian Henning, Amanda Parrish, Kathryn Alexander, Happy Avery, Kerry Brooks, Kevin Fagan (absent), Elyse Hochstadt, Matthew Hollon (absent), Larry Luton, Bob Lutz, Lea Molina (absent), Kit Parker, Hala Zahalqa

Informational, Discussion and/or Action Items:

- Climate Planning Update
 - Presentation provided by: KayCee Downey, Planning
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.

 - PFAS/PFOA Samples in Drinking Water
 - Presentation provided by staff member: Loren Searl, Water
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.

 - Sustainability Action Plan
 - Presentation provided by staff member: Tirrell Black, Planning
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
 - Document provided by Larry Luton, located on page three of the minutes.
- Motion**
- *I [Larry Luton] move that the Chair and Vice Chair of the Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board (CRSB) empanel a standing Sustainability Action Plan Committee with the charge to develop climate and sustainability action recommendations for consideration by the CRSB. Seconded by Elyse Hochstadt. Deliberation ensued and will continue during the next meeting.*

Meeting Adjourned at 4:51 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board Meeting is on Thursday, April 10, 2025.