

**AIR QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2013**

DATE: October 21, 2013
LOCATION: 215 N. Mason Community Room
TIME: 5:30–8:30pm

For Reference: Rich Fisher, Chair 970-221-4389
Ross Cunniff, Council Liaison 970-420-7398
Melissa Hovey, Staff Liaison 970-221-6813

Present:
Greg McMaster
Nancy York
Dave Dietrich
Scott Groen
Rich Fisher
Jim Dennison

Absent:
Tom Moore
John Shenot

Staff Present:
Melissa Hovey, Staff Liaison
Erin Nuckols, Green Building Intern

Guests:
Lucinda Smith, Environmental Services Director

Public Comments: None

Call meeting to order: Rich Fisher called to order at 7:13pm.

Review and Approval of September 16, 2013 minutes

Correction: Ross Cunniff – Board – Transportation Liaison

Nancy York moved and Dave Dietrich seconded a motion to approve the September 16, 2013 AQAB minutes as presented.

Motion passed: 5-0-1 (Jim Dennison abstained as he was absent from the September meeting).

AGENDA ITEM 1 – Board Discussion of Work Plan Items

Review of AQAB work plan and status of key issues. Prepare draft work plan for Nov. 18th meeting (final work plan due Nov. 30th)

Discussion/Comments/Q&A

- Developed in April
 - Attached Summary explained
 - Work plan spreadsheet explained
 - Forums:
 - Series or singular – no decisions
 - Planning Nov./Dec. meetings
 - Item for Coloradoan – in packet
 - Rich Fisher suggests moving through agenda
 - Additions –
 - Ballot measure 2A
 - Climate Forum that just happened - reflection
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AGENDA ITEM 2 – Board Discussion on Statement Regarding Ballot Measure 2A

Discussion of whether or not the Board wants to make a statement in support of or against Ballot Measure 2A regarding a 5 year moratorium on oil and gas hydraulic fracturing.

Discussion/Comments/Q&A

- Never received confirmation from Council about receiving letter from AQAB
 - Oil & Gas & Air Quality – how to better inform the public
 - Further discussion on this topic
 - **Rich Fisher motions to bring document forward (letter); Tom Moore seconds (Rich Fisher serves as his proxy). Voted 7-1-0 (Scott Groen, nay; Tom Moore and John Shenot, by proxy).**
 - General concerns about levels of NOx in the region.
 - Discussion about whether to “beef up” the letter to create more impact.
 - Technical discussion on VOC contributors and toxicity.
 - **Greg McMaster motions to produce a statement on Ballot Measure 2A. Voted 7-1-0 (Scott Groen, nay; Tom Moore and John Shenot, by proxy).**
 - No discussion
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AGENDA ITEM 3 – Follow-up Discussion with on GHG Goals and Climate Action Plan Update

Lucinda Smith, Director, Environmental Services Department, will lead a follow-up discussion from the Community Carbon Goals meeting on revising the City's GHG goals and updating the Energy Policy and Climate Action Plan

Discussion/Comments/Q&A

- Determine if there is a cost analysis on reduction – the AQAB should get that information
- What's the initial investment and payback of the reduction strategies – not only economical
- Lucinda Smith came into to discuss with the group about the presentation and possibilities for CAP
- Further discussion with Lucinda on economic/cost/value of CAP
- Lucinda provided an overview of the possibilities for CAP for Fort Collins

- Included information about partnerships and timeline
- Environmental Services and Utilities will have something for the Boards to review in November and be taking recommendations in December
- Determine whether a cost analysis is necessary for Council
- Discussion about what the consensus is about the goals
 - People want to see more
 - Science is showing that we are not doing enough
 - Rich Fisher – AQAB Participation
 1. Provide specific recommendation on policies and GHG goals
 2. AQAB vision – because we don't know what technology and circumstances will change by 2050
 - Determine approach – proactive or passive
- Suggestion to do more interim goals
 - Make \$/cost investments for specific response which contributes to ultimate goals
 - Let people know where we are on the reduction track
 - It is all theoretical until we get down to the short term/understandable interim goals
 - Change current recommendations to include interim or benchmark goals
 - Big Vision is just to pick a number
 - Are we being reactive or proactive?
 - Take population growth into account – 2051 – we double in population
 - Make goals for 2030
- Summary –
 - Board will be asked to support the planning
 - \$ for GHG goals are likely
 - Looking at interim goals is a favorable idea
 - AQAB could produce a 1-2 page paper on this topic to help frame the question of why 80% by 2050 is not good enough – providing perspective

Other brief announcements:

- AQ Loans Program

Adjournment

Scott moved to adjourn, Jim Dennison seconded. Rich Fisher adjourned the meeting at 8:27pm.

Approved by the Board on November 18, 2013

Signed



Dianne Tjalkens, Administrative Clerk II

11.26.13

Date