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Meeting Minutes

**October 27,
2022
7:00 P.M.**

Powell's Creek Conference Room
McCoart Building
1 County Complex Court
Prince William, VA 22192

Present: Commissioners Warren Beeton, Dr. Joseph P. Boutte, Demetrius Miguel Brown, Christopher Carroll, J. Randall Freed, Elizabeth H. Ward, Robert B. Weir

Giulia Manno – Director Office of Sustainability, Staff Liaison; Katie Kitzmiller – Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management; Brian Misner- Emergency Management Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management; Julia Flanagan – County Arborist, Environmental Management

Absent: Commissioner Chinaka A. Barbour

Roll Call: Quorum Present

Citizen's Time: Katelyn Hart of Gainesville requested for the Sustainability Commission to formally oppose the Digital Gateway Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Old Business

- Approved meeting minutes from September 22, 2022. [VOTING RECORD: Motion Ward, Boutte; Ayes- by acclamation; Nays- None]
- G Manno provided an update on bringing non-voting, subject matter experts from local utilities on to the commission membership. New members expected to attend next meeting. G Manno will be providing them with an orientation prior to the next meeting.
- G Manno provided update that Supervisor Boddye brought forward a draft sustainability 'fast-track' resolution, and a directive to further explore solar and clean energy options in

the county. The resolution and directive are currently being reviewed by the county attorney and county staff.

- Res 22-006, which provided comments from the Sustainability Commission on the Land-Use chapter of the draft Comprehensive Plan, was brought to the Planning Commission by A Vanegas. The resolution was reviewed by the Planning Commissioners, and several recommendations are currently being reviewed by county staff.
- R Freed provided an update on feasibility of live-streaming commission meetings. There currently is not budget for live-streaming, but commissioners were encouraged to inquire with their Supervisors.

New Business

- R Freed summarized data from the newly released Prince William 2020 Greenhouse Gas Inventory, developed by MWCOG.
- G Manno provided a status update on the development of the Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan. AECOM has prepared the GHG Forecast that extends to year 2050, and will be presenting the Prince William Vulnerability Assessment to the county's CESMP Core Team on Nov 9.
- Sustainability Commission voted to approve a resolution to submit to the BOCS recommending that commission membership is amended to include non-voting members from Virginia Railway Express and the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission. [VOTING RECORD: Motion: Freed, Ward; Ayes – by acclamation; Nays – None].

Scheduled Briefings

- K Kitzmiller and B Misner from the Office of Emergency Management provided the commission a briefing on the county's Emergency Management Program and Hazard Mitigation and Resilience initiatives.
- J Flanagan, the county arborist, provided the commission a briefing on the county's reforestation program, tree planting requirements and forest carbon sequestration.

Commissioner's Time

- C Carroll brought forth a letter to send to the BOCS to represent the Sustainability Commission's concerns with the Digital Gateway Comprehensive Plan Amendment. A motion was passed to send the letter to the BOCS. [VOTING RECORD: Motion: Carroll,

Ward; Ayes – Boutte, Brown, Carroll, Ward, Weir; Nays – Beeton, Freed; Absent –
Barbour]

The Meeting Adjourned at 10P