

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Daniel Eick, Assistant City Administrator
RE: Candice Zimmermann: R5DC Presentation
DATE: December 26, 2023



Summary

At the request of Mayor Zierden, Assistant City Administrator (ACA) Daniel Eick met with Candice Zimmermann from the Region Five Development Commission (R5DC) On Tuesday, November 28, 2023. The purpose of that meeting was to discuss the R5DC's Energy & Environment Planning Program and consider what benefit, if any, the program could have on the City of Breezy Point.

As a result of that discussion, ACA Eick scheduled Ms. Zimmermann to present the program to Council during their Tuesday, January 2, Regular Council Meeting. Further information on the program can be found in the brochure, attached to this document below, and on the R5DC website at: <https://www.regionfive.org/eep>

Council Action

No action from Council is requested at this time.

R5DC'S ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT PLANNING PROGRAM SEEKS MUNICIPALITY PARTICIPATION

in partnership with the USDA Rural Community Development Initiative Grant program

Does your city want to save energy and reduce costs? Is it important for your city to plan for extreme weather events?

From projects related to stormwater runoff to electric vehicle charging stations to solar energy projects, the R5DC Environmental and Energy Planning process will help lead conversations and prioritize the needs specific to your community. As a result, we will work with you to leverage various grant funding for project implementation.



R5DC is inviting 10 more cities to participate in community-driven Energy and Environment Planning. Spots are limited. **DEADLINE : November 30th, 2023**

What does Energy & Environment Planning accomplish?

10 cities have completed Energy and Environment Plans.

See their stories here: www.regionfive.org/eep



Seven cities coordinated a community clean-up day.



Over \$50,000 in grant funding leveraged to complete Environ. & Energy projects throughout the region.



FOUR cities completed energy audits and improved energy efficiency in public buildings.