



SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

AGENDA SECTION	BUSINESS ITEMS
MEETING DATE	09/09/2025

ITEM:	Partners in Energy Grand Opening Discussion	
DEPARTMENT:	Community Development	BY/DATE: Mitchell Forney, 9-4-25
CORE CITY STRATEGIES:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Community that Grows with Purpose and Equity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engaged, Effective and Forward-Thinking	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Quality Public Spaces	<input type="checkbox"/> Resilient and Prosperous Economy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Safe, Accessible and Built for Everyone	<input type="checkbox"/> Inclusive and Connected Community	

BACKGROUND

At the July 8th, 2025, Sustainability Commission meeting, City staff informed the Commission that the City had officially entered into an agreement and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Partners in Energy (PIE). As part of our involvement in this program, PIE and City staff discussed hosting a grand opening to launch the work plan initiatives. Rather than hosting an opening immediately after signing the MOU, staff concluded it would be more effective to plan a larger event. This event would include members of the Energy Action Team, the City Council, and the community, serving as a true “grand opening” for the partnership and the energy initiative. As discussed at the last Sustainability Commission meeting, the goal is to host an event that highlights early successes from the work plan while using the momentum of the event to promote and accelerate other key initiatives.

Now that staff have a clearer idea of the event structure and have finalized the date, the remaining coordination needed from the commission is to confirm which activities should be included and how the commission can assist with advertising.

Staff recognize that the Commission may have additional ideas or questions. Our goal is to have an open, productive discussion that will set this event up for success.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Partners in Energy Letter