

**City of Lake Forest Park
Climate Action Committee
Special Meeting Summary
February 29, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: 4:35 P.M.

Climate Action Committee Board Members Present:

Sarah Phillips, Miriam Bertram, Linda Holman, Brian Saunders, Tamara Erickson,
Jessica Côté, Dana Campbell, Anne Udaloy

Staff and Others Present

Council Liaison - Tracy Furutani
Environmental and Sustainability Specialist - Cory Roche

Member of the Public Present

None

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved unanimously, no objections.

REVIEW/APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Moving review and approval of February 6 meeting minutes to next meeting in March.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Climate action plan update:

Sarah let the CAC know Cascadia Consulting firm is doing a review of the Climate Action Plan. Consultants will try to complete in a month, by March 29. The group has received the kokanee mascot in corporate throughout the CAP. Tracy, Mimi, and Sarah joined the kickoff meeting, Brain and Jessica will join to help with final review of the plan.

The consultants will track changes so all can see updates. They will also do an equity review of the plan. The CAC then talked over what the key messages are of the plan: Urgency of the issue, and actions that are required now. Residents have the power to make a difference, in a way that has minimal impacts on their lifestyle. Climate change should be a government priority and requires staffing. Key goals will be to reducing GHG in the City and build resiliency as a community. LFP is unique, there is a lot of value and natural assets to save, ecosystems and environmental health.

- **Comprehensive Plan Coordination**

At the CAC's next meeting, Christina, the consultant helping with the comprehensive plan updates, will attend to update the CAC on the process and go through recommendations of what the CAC has already done to integrate Climate Action Plan elements into the comprehensive plan.

Sarah did a quick overview of what the comprehensive plan is. LFP's plan is due to be completed by end of 2024. Is a state mandate with requirements from the county, like housing targets, visioning what 2050 looks like, and items like transportation requirements. The City needs to meet those goals stated by King County planning policies. The comprehensive plan is a policy framework, critical for City to get grants. At the next CAC meeting, Christina will provide framework for integrating the elements of the CAC work into the existing comprehensive elements. The City will now go out for an RFP to get a consultant on board to create the Climate Element that will be adopted as an additional comprehensive plan element following the Comprehensive Plan adoption by the City

Upcoming events and announcements:

Sarah met with a resident who is interested in running a program at the library to help people understand how everything is connected in the environment/climate. It is a game like activity created from a MIT a model/strategy, along the lines for changing how you live, fuel sources and impacts long term. Originally was created to help politicians to understand climate change. They will be meeting with the library to see how this can be hosted at the library in the Town Center.

March 30 is the Green Fair, thinking the CAC will focus on easy things to do in your own home.

April 13 there will be a Town Hall with State Legislators at Third Place Commons.

There is a LFP in Action book club meeting the last Wednesday at the month.

Sarah will present the CAC Work plan to Council at the March 7 special meeting.

Councilmember Furutani noted he will be meeting with a City of Mercer island resident to learn about how he is doing his own GHG study for the City.

ADJOURN: 5:20 PM