
January 24, 2024
7:00 p.m.

City of Brooklyn Park – Conference Room A203
5200 85th Avenue North
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION – AGENDA #2

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Commissioners: Chair Liam Cavin, Vice Chair Kathy Fraser, General Officer John Kiekow, Christopher Udomah, Philip Gaye-Bai, Teshite Wako, Maggie Borer, Shereese Turner.
Staff Liaison Paul Mogush, Amber Turnquest, Erin McDermott and Matt Hayes-Regan.

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. GENERAL INFORMATION**
- C. DISCUSSION ITEMS/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS**
 - C.1 Electric Mobility Opportunities for Brooklyn Park**
 - A. Presentation by Tim Pratt, City of Brooklyn Park Recycling Manager, and Dustin Weigl, National Renewable Energy Labs**
 - C.2 Zoning Code Update – Land Usage**
 - A. Discussion facilitated by Amber Turnquest, City of Brooklyn Park Principal Planner**
- D. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - 1. COUNCILMEMBER LIASON COMMENTS**
 - 2. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS**
 - 3. STAFF LIASON COMMENTS**
- E. ADJOURNMENT**

City of Brooklyn Park Planning Commission Work Session

Meeting Date:	January 24, 2024	Originating Department:	Operations and Maintenance
Agenda Item:	C.1.A	Prepared By:	Tim Pratt, City of Brooklyn Park Recycling Manager
Agenda Section:	Discussion Items	Presented By:	Tim Pratt, City of Brooklyn Park Recycling Manager Dustin Weigl, National Renewable Energy Labs
Item:	Electric Mobility Opportunities for Brooklyn Park Presentation and Report		

Summary:

The state, the country and the world are transitioning from fossil-fueled transportation toward zero-emissions mobility options. Much of the conversation to date has been around electric vehicles (EVs) and individuals purchasing those cars and trucks. Those potentially expensive options are only a portion of what's available for electrified mobility.

The City of Brooklyn Park and Hennepin County are wrapping up work on a joint project called Pathways Toward Electric Mobility. The County received a technical assistance grant from the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Communities Low Energy Assistance Program (C LEAP). The program partners with low-income, energy-burdened communities that experience environmental justice challenges and/or direct economic impacts from reducing their historical reliance on fossil fuels to build community-driven action plans for clean energy-related economic development. The C LEAP coalition of the County and the City was paired with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) for technical assistance.

Together, the C LEAP coalition, NREL, and local technical assistance providers partnered with six community-based organizations to conduct a locally informed electric mobility education and engagement campaign in climate vulnerable communities in 2023. The resulting Pathways Toward Electric Mobility report will be finalized this spring.

City staff asked NREL to also produce a background overview of electric mobility technologies, their benefits, and opportunities for use in Brooklyn Park. Dustin Weigl from NREL will be presenting the overview.

Attachments:

- A. DRAFT REPORT

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Meeting Date:	January 24, 2024	Originating Department:	Planning
Agenda Item:	C.2A	Prepared By:	Amber Turnquest
Agenda Section:	Discussion Items	Presented By:	Amber Turnquest
Item:	Land Usage - Code Update		

Summary:

The City's development pattern and land use policies have changed since the last major zoning update in 2000. Updates to the ordinance are needed to reflect the desired vision for the City. State law requires that all official controls be updated within nine months of the Comprehensive Plan's adoption. Code changes are necessary for compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and to make administering of the ordinance easier.

The scope, timeline, and next steps will be discussed. This will be the first of many opportunities for the Commission to identify topics for more in depth study and discussion.