



Sustainability Advisory Board

February 19, 2025
Packet Addendum #1

Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board (LSAB) Meeting Minutes January 15, 2025

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:33 PM. All members present.

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- Agenda Approval: Motion by Kevin, second by Allison. Approved.
- Minutes Approval: Motion by Kristen, second by Kevin. Approved.

Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

John Cowley (Ward 3): Expressed concerns about EV charging infrastructure, questioning how the city is promoting its 54 public chargers and ensuring they remain operational.

Administrative Updates

- Introductions of Board Members & Staff
- Xcel Franchise Agreement (2027): LSAB will need to craft an opinion when this item appears on the agenda.

Staff Update

- Annual Metrics: Refer to the November 2024 LSAB packet.
- Circular Economy/Waste Diversion: Logan Johnson appointed Vice Chair of Boulder County's Resource Conservation Board (RAB).
- Nature-Based Solutions: Sustainability Division to provide fiscal support for Community Forest Corps (CFC) in partnership with PROST Department.
- Commercial Sustainability:
 - 75 Louisville businesses enrolled in GreenBiz Tracker, 5 actively participating in Colorado Green Business Network (CGBN).
 - Garden to Table pursuing CGBN recognition.
- Commercial Sustainability Grant paused, with a planned rebrand and relaunch.
- Internal Decarbonization Plan: Project Manager hiring ongoing.
- Community Decarbonization Plan: PIE provided an analysis of multifamily properties, identifying aging equipment and electrification opportunities.
- DRCOG Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG): New subgroup managers hired; program launch expected in August.
- Data, Emissions, and Tracking: ICLEI-USA updated GHG inventory; emissions reduction from 2016 to 2021 now 14%.

- Events: No scheduled events in January. Planning underway for Parco Dello Zingaro (PDZ) event.
- Reusable Kitchen Grant for staff breakrooms implemented on January 14 (Boulder County-funded).
- Continuing pursuit of Charging Smart Certification via Drive Clean Colorado & IREC.
- City Manager Update
- City Council reviewing applications for City Manager position.
- Finalists announced by January 10; public meet-and-greet on January 22

Onboarding & LSAB History Overview

- Reviewed LSAB's evolution from a Resource Conservation Board (1990s) to an advisory board focused on decarbonization and sustainability policy.
- Council-Adopted Energy & Emissions Goals (2024)
- 100% carbon-free municipal electricity by 2025.
- 60% reduction in municipal & community GHG emissions by 2030.
- Carbon neutrality by 2050.
- Board Responsibilities
- Advise & Recommend sustainability policies to City Council.
- Support implementation of Internal & Community Decarbonization Plans.
- Develop RFP for Climate Action Plan in 2025.
- Review GHG inventories (2024 community-wide & municipal operations).

Board & Sustainability Manager Expectations

- Outlined communication, meeting, advocacy, and policy responsibilities between LSAB and staff.

IECC Energy Codes & Memo Review

- Kevin summarized contractor/citizen requests for changes to 2021 IECC codes.
- LSAB memo supports retaining key appendices with minor compromises:
- Off-site renewable energy offsets.
- Commercial space additions: Maintain existing equipment for its lifespan, retain natural gas backup.
- Furnace efficiency standards: Waiver option for lower-efficiency appliances.
- City Council to vote on Energy Code direction on January 21. Options:
- Roll back (LSAB memo advises against).
- Adopt DRCOG Regional Code Cohort (preferred option).
- Direct staff to develop a new approach.
- Motion to approve LSAB memo and send a member to City Council meeting: Approved.

Work Plan Adoption

- Motion by Kristen, second by Aubry. Approved.

Election of Officers

- Chair: Allison
- Vice Chair: Aubry

Meeting Dates for 2025

- Confirmed: 1/15, 3/19, 4/16, 5/21, 7/16, 8/20, 9/17, 11/19.
 - December meeting will be joint with other municipalities.
 - February 26 meeting TBD (possible LSAB & Council meeting).

Public Comment

John Cowley: Urged continued focus on GHG emissions reduction as an urgent priority.

Adjournment

Motion by Kristen, second by Kevin. Meeting adjourned.