

**CITY OF COLUMBIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
MEETING REPORT  
JUNE 24, 2014 – 11:00 A.M.  
CITY HALL 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
1737 MAIN STREET**



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Members of the Columbia City Council conducted an Environment and Infrastructure Committee Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine (Chair) called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m., and The Honorable Cameron A. Runyan was present. The Honorable Leona K. Plough was absent.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

1. Review of the Climate Protection Action Committee Original Charge and Bylaw

Ms. Mary Pat Baldauf, Public Works Sustainability Facilitator gave an update on the Climate Protection Action Committee's (CPAC) initial charge from November 2006, which was an action plan to reduce Municipal Greenhouse Gas Emission and submit the plan to Council within six months of its first meeting . She said an action plan was developed and endorsed in May 2007 and it contained three elements: 1) policies and measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions operations and services by 20 percent; 2) monitoring and verifying the implementation of policies and measures; and 3) conduct phase II analysis of how the community at-large can take steps in reducing the greenhouse gas emissions. She said the baseline emissions report is completed; it will be updated in 2015. She noted that City Council created a standing CPAC committee, which will need to amend the bylaws to allow the chairperson to nominate two (2) appointments to serve as financial professionals.

Councilor Devine asked that staff give an update on the big ticket items of performance contracts at the next meeting.

There was a consensus of the committee to have staff make a presentation on CPAC at the next Council Meeting to include asking the full Council to approve amending the bylaws by allowing the chairperson to nominate appointments to the board for financial professionals.

2. Update on Water / Sewer Line Repair Warranty Program

Ms. Shannon Lizewski, Utilities and Engineering Contract Administrator reported that a vendor has been selected and the committee recommends solely endorsing Homeserve USA. Homeserve USA has provided Water and Sewer Line Repair Warranty Programs for over 20 years; it is accredited by the Better Business Bureau and holds an A- rating.

There was a consensus of the committee to proceed with submitting the drafted agreement to the full Council for approval.

3. Update on Coating Product for the Sewer System

Mr. Len K. Hutchinson, ARM Environmental Services, Inc. presented a wastewater structure concrete protective coating and restoration product called SewperCoat, which is a 100% pure calcium aluminate premix used for the rehabilitation of sewer structures; it is used as a lining for most wastewater structures in new construction applications. The specifications covers materials and equipment required for protecting concrete, masonry manholes, wet wells and other underground vaults.

There was a consensus of the committee to have staff meet with Mr. Huchinson in an effort to learn more about the benefits of using Sewpercoat in the city and to bring a report back at the next meeting.

4. Update on Residential Fats, Oils and Grease Program

Ms. Melissa Gentry, P.E., Assistant City Manager of Operations reported that staff is still negotiating with the proposer on a non-disclosure agreement for a Residential Fats Oil and Grease (FOG) Program.

The committee received this report as information. No action was taken.

- **The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:

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