

**MINUTES OF THE
ENERGY TASK FORCE
of the
CITY OF SANTA FE / SANTA FE COUNTY
REGIONAL PLANNING AUTHORITY**

**4 PM, Thursday, May 20, 2010
Santa Fe, New Mexico**

The Regular Meeting of the Energy Task Force (ETF) of the City of Santa Fe / Santa Fe County Regional Planning Authority (RPA) was called to order by Chair Kathy Holian at approximately 4:00 PM on the above-cited date in the legal conference room of the Santa Fe County Administration Building.

ROLL CALL

Chris Calvert, Chair
Kathy Holian
Randy Grissom
Brendan Miller

Members Absent:

David Blackman
David Griscom
David Van Winkle

Others Present:

County of Santa Fe
Mary Jane Parks, Energy Consultant
Duncan Sill, Economic Development Planner
City of Santa Fe
Katherine Mortimer, Supervising Planner
Nick Schiavo, Energy Planner
Amanda Evans, Advanced Home Analysts

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Holian moved to approve the minutes of April 9, 2010, seconded by Mr. Grissom and approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

- **Energy Efficiency (EE) Improvements for Public Buildings**
 - **Recommendation Letter to RPA**
- **Future to Energy Task Force**

Ms. Holian presented the draft of a letter from the ETF to the RPA that included suggestions for how to move forward with EE programs for public buildings in the city and the county, as well

as at Santa Fe Community College (SFCC). She asked the members for their feedback and suggestions.

Mr. Schiavo said he had no real additions except perhaps talking about what else can be done with stimulus funds. He added the funds cannot be spent on things like swimming pools, golf courses, water slides or aquariums.

Ms. Holian suggested that a paragraph be added to the letter about using Build America Bonds for funding sources. Direction could be given to city and county staff to look into the ground rules as to whether those funds could be used for these purposes.

As a local example, Mr. Miller stated that Los Alamos County was successful in winning funds for energy projects.

Ms. Holian added that the ETF could recommend to the RPA that the ordinance that allocates the capital outlay bond GRT be rewritten to allow using the income for bonding, which would have a possible capacity of around \$10 million. At present, most of the funding is allocated to water projects for the Buckman that is not needed any more.

Mr. Miller asked if that is a reasonable funding source for schools. Ms. Holian said she thought it could be, and said she would first ask staff and legal to investigate whether SFCC could be included.

Chair Calvert said that using the joint city-county GRT funding for schools could get into jurisdictional problems, and the expansion would have to come under a rewrite of the ordinance.

Chair Calvert asked what the strategic plan and goal for the ETF is going to be for the future. He said there are various other sources of greenhouse gases that might have more impact than buildings, such as transportation or utilities.

Mr. Schiavo estimated that, once the grant money is used, he could find about \$15 million more worth of projects to do that would not necessarily fall under EE, but would reduce greenhouse gases, such as converting solid waste into CNG or biodiesel.

Chair Calvert added that would help local economic development as well. He suggested that the ETF devote one or two meetings to prioritize where it can get the biggest 'bang for the buck,' while taking into account EE, greenhouse gas emissions and in particular stimulating the local economy.

Ms. Holian explained that the ETF has gone through a year-long planning process to come up with suggestions for a specific project to move forward on using a certain amount of RPA funds. Once that is done, the ETF can suggest to the RPA that the ETF reinvent itself and become more of what Chair Calvert is talking about.

Regarding the city having received funding to convert to LED streetlights and having metered intersections, Mr. Schiavo said he has met with PNM, which offered to create a new rate class for

the city. PNM would like to have all the streetlights LED and customer owned and maintained. Mr. Schiavo added that the city is doing a metered pilot project in 13 intersections to have them meet lighting standards.

Mr. Grissom moved that Ms. Holian incorporate final conclusions to the draft of the letter to the RPA and email it to ETF members for approval. Ms. Holian will request that the approved letter be put on the next RPA agenda as an action item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Miller and approved unanimously.

MATTERS FROM STAFF

- **Home Energy Rating (HERS)**

Ms. Mortimer and Mr. Grissom presented a proposal to develop a residential energy analyst certification program at the SFCC.

Mr. Grissom stated that HERS is for new construction and that SFCC is already a BPI affiliate with Ms. Evans the certified trainer for existing facilities.

Ms. Mortimer explained that there are buildings in Santa Fe that are not found anywhere else. She reviewed the proposal from the SFCC to become a credited training provider and offer national certification in courses for new homes and one for existing homes. These ratings are now required by the city, and an objective is for the county to develop matching requirements so that they can work in tangent with their building codes and inspection programs.

Mr. Grissom added that he would like to find someone who has an old house to donate that could be moved to the college campus and used for the training.

Ms. Holian requested that Mary Jane Parks, Katherine Mortimer and Amanda Evans meet to draft a letter from the ETF to the RPA about the building code situation and make recommendations regarding the proposed program at SFCC.

MATTERS FROM THE ENERGY TASK FORCE

Mr. Miller commented that the ETF is coming to the point of meeting its goals and suggested planning be done for the next stage.

Chair Calvert agreed that the next meeting should concentrate on doing strategic analysis and a discussion about sources of where energy is most used and where the greatest greenhouse gas emissions come from. The ETF has been addressing buildings, which may prove to be what the ETF continues to work on, and also could address transportation. A subset discussion may be pursuing the steps to municipalization.

Ms. Evans noted that existing residential building have a large percent of gas emissions, which may also be something to address.

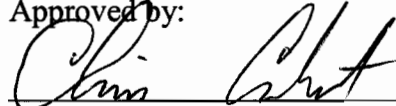
DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT ETF MEETING

The next regular meeting of the ETF was set for 3:30, June 10, 2010, in the Legal Conference room at the County Building. Ms. Holian said she will set the meeting up and send Chair Calvert the information along with the email list for notification.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the ETF, this Regular Meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:10 PM.

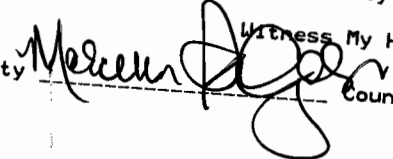
Approved by:



Chair, RPA Energy Task Force
Chris Calvert, City Councilor

Minutes drafted by: Kay Carlson



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Meeting of Energy Task Force
County Building- Legal Conference Room
May 20, 2010 - 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

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- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Minutes of April 9, 2010
- IV. PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
- V. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Discussion of Energy Efficiency Programs
 - i. Energy Efficiency Improvements for Public Buildings
 - a. Recommendation Letter to RPA
 - B. Future to Energy Task Force
- VI. MATTERS FROM STAFF
- VII. MATTERS FROM THE ENERGY TASK FORCE
- VIII. DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT ETF MEETING (June 17, 2010)
- IX. ADJOURNMENT