

## Cool Cities – March 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 Meeting

### Members present:

- Stephanie Malench
- Rachel Tompkins
- Michael Katich
- Tom Kinçella
- Kristen Pauli
- Jamie Henderson

Stephanie motions 1st, Tom motions 2nd, all agree on minutes from February 16th, 2023

### Visiting Guests:

- Clemmescia Jackson running for alderwoman for Ward 3:
  - Lives in Esic subdivision. Gets complaints from neighbors on light disturbance from the new skate rink. Lighting faces toward houses.
  - Lighting is on all the time. Lighting needs to be measured by an engineer. She plans to resolve this by emailing Steve.
  - She also has interest in the sustainability plan. Also has many thoughts/ideas on recycling in the communities.
- Mike Colligan from Green Builders Coalition
  - Visited to present to us on residential stretch energy code.
  - This is in progress with the state, but is not clear and thinks that many will not adopt it to be able to get it to the jurisdiction level. A second draft of this will be available soon and Mike plans to share with us once it is finished.
  - Rachel mentioned wanting the option for us as a city to adopt this residential stretch energy code as a choice for a higher level of approval.

### Old Business:

- Recycling for events: Event recycling at the library park will be taken care of by one of Nate Tingly's employees. Kristen plans to focus on finding an area to keep new bins for Saturday Goshen Market events.
- Parking ordinance: Is in order and they plan to have a draft by the end of the month. It is to be sent out to our committee once finished.

### New Business:

- Grants/funds for possible trash/recycle compactor for downtown
- Springer's Creek: flooding issues and possible plans to put in a rainwater garden.

### Other news:

- Stephanie presented an award to the Mayor for the Green Cities Challenge.
  - We plan to continue to do this for 2023. Stephanie will lead this again, Kristen plans to help out as well.
- Pollinator Pathway:

- Is in the works. Jenna Hogan is the person from the organization, which engages in Mapping of gardens and promote it. Sean Pelato of Heartlands Conservancy will help to map Edwardsville's native plant gardens..

Rachel J. Tompkins