

Citizens Committee on U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement



Mission:

1. Encourage citizens to be a part of the solution
2. Encourage City staff and citizens to conserve current resources
3. Work with the City Council to implement ideas
4. Effectively address the future impacts of climate change

Committee Members:

Members: Steve Bernheim, Carolyn Chapel, Wes Gallaughner, Wayne Grotheer, Hank Landau

City Staff: Mayor Gary Haakenson, Steve Fisher, Sally Lider, Noel Miller, Rob Chave, Jen Machuga, Jim Stevens, Linda Carl

Meeting Agenda

November 6, 2008

1. Review of GHG inventory report	With Amy Shatzkin, ICLEI
2. Miscellaneous	All
3. Next meeting date – Thursday, December 11 (<u>second Thursday</u>)	

Meeting Notes

September 4, 2008

1. GHG inventory report by Nicole Sanders

Nicole worked 35-40 hours per week for two months to prepare the report. The committee briefly discussed portions of the report, including reasons behind Edmonds’ generally low emissions levels, which Nicole noted in the “Reflections” section on page 50. Other cities have freeways, airports, big industries, etc. that are counted in their emissions numbers; however, Edmonds residents share in the larger regional picture because they travel to other cities, go to the airport, etc. Hank mentioned a concern with the low PUD numbers discussed on pages 23 and 24 of the report and the ability to make future reductions using low base numbers. Janice requested a list of acronyms for the next version of the report. She noted that the residential numbers don’t include multifamily residential; perhaps the City code can be changed for multifamily in order to encourage people to reduce and conserve. Hank suggested that the report be reviewed in detail prior to presenting it to the City Council. He also suggested that the committee hear opposing points of view to the global-warming debate. Regarding commute data, Rob indicated that the portion of commutes inside Edmonds is included in the report. Highway 99 is also included, which includes non-residents using the highway. Gary mentioned that we’ll likely look at regional numbers once all cities have published their reports.

2. Work session with City Council regarding sustainability element of the comp plan

Gary mentioned that the work session is on September 23 and encouraged all committee members to attend. Gary will begin with a brief report and then we’ll discuss with Council the sustainability element and hear their comments.

Miscellaneous

Bob Freeman reminded everyone of the upcoming Sustainable Edmonds meetings on September 9 and 27.