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Subject: RE: Energy Task Force - Need Your Help

Mayor,

This is on City Council's March 22nd agenda.

Cathy

From: Esther Manheimer [mailto:esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2016 12:18 PM
To: 'Sonia Marcus'; Julie Mayfield
Cc: 'Walls, Jason A'; Jaime Matthews; Cathy Ball; 'Kelly Martin'; 'Brownie W. Newman'; 'Donna Cottrell'; 'Jon Creighton'
Subject: RE: Energy Task Force - Need Your Help

This is on the city's March 22 agenda.

From: Sonia Marcus [mailto:soniamarcus@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2016 10:41 AM
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Is there a delay on the passage of the resolutions, and if so, what caused the delay?

I agree on the collective voice issue on the appointments.

Sonia

On Thursday, March 17, 2016, Julie Mayfield <juliemayfield@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

I'm sorry that has happened Jason, and I agree we should be saying that the names were arrived at by consensus. Easy to say since it's the truth.

Julie

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2016, at 9:11 AM, Walls, Jason A <Jason.Walls@duke-energy.com> wrote:

Good morning,

I wanted to write and ask for your help and to validate a rumor.

First, I was under the impression that both Buncombe County and the City of Asheville were planning to approve the Task Force (and its initial members) next Tuesday, Mar. 22, but I've heard from a few people that it won't be on the agenda for the county until April 5? Is that accurate? I also want to reinforce the importance to Duke Energy for unanimous support from our elected bodies for this important work. If the good work gets clouded by politics, I feel that it could restrict our collective success. I'm hopeful that this delay isn't a sign that this effort doesn't have broad support.

Also, I would really like for this group to represent our work, and decisions, as a collective voice. For the second time in just a few weeks, Duke Energy has been painted with a brush that we're appointing team members and/or keeping groups off the task force. Most notably, yesterday, I spoke with the folks at CIBO who were told that Duke Energy kept them off the Task Force, which couldn't be further from the truth. I would actually support adding them over others appointed. I hope this group feels that Duke Energy has been a collaborative voice in this process of creating the Task Force. As a matter of fact, I still have serious reservations and concerns with a member we've added to the team, but I've accepted that as a decision by the group. I would just ask you to please speak with one voice around the formation of this team.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Jason

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