Clean Heat Standard Equity Advisory Group

Minutes from the September 3, 2024, Full Group Meeting

Attendees

- Members of the Equity Advisory Group present
 - o Ben Bolaski, Vermont Department of Public Service
 - o Matt Cota, Meadow Hill Consulting
 - o Jen Myers, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity
 - o John Mandeville, Central Vermont Council on Aging
 - o Pike Porter, individual
 - o Sriram Srinivasan, individual
 - o Emily Roscoe, Efficiency Vermont
 - o Mia Watson, Vermont Housing Finance Agency
 - o Geoff Wilcox, Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity
- Other active participants
 - o Cathrine Morris, Consensus Building Institute
 - o Dominic Gatti, Public Utility Commission Fellow
 - o Claire McIlvennie, Vermont Department of Public Service

Agenda & Actions

• Welcome & Review of agenda (Time Stamp 00:08)

[Meeting commenced at 12:30 pm ET.]

• Review and approval of minutes (*Time Stamp 3:22*)

[Mia Watson asked for unanimous consent to approve the meeting minutes from July 23, 2024. The minutes were approved with the date change by unanimous consent at 12:35 pm.]

[Mia Watson asked for unanimous consent to approve the meeting minutes from August 6, 2024, with a correction regarding the date. The minutes were approved with the date change by unanimous consent at 12:36 pm.]

- Updates from the TAG Liaisons (*Time Stamp 5:23*)
- Updates from the PUC (*Time Stamp 11:26*)
 - o Link mentioned by Matt Cota: https://www.meadowhillmedia.com/chs/.
- Guest Speaker Environmental Justice (*Time Stamp 24:55*)
 - Claire McIlvennie, Data and Equity Policy Manager with VT Dept of Public Service

- Details are recorded in the <u>ongoing collection document</u>, which is only edited during noticed meetings.
- o Mentioned link: https://anr.vermont.gov/about-us/civil-rights-and-environmental-justice/vermont-ej-law/calendar.
- Public Comment (*Time Stamp 51:54*)
 - None heard
- Continued EAG Conversation on Moderate Income (*Time Stamp 56:25*)
 - Details are recorded in the <u>ongoing collection document</u>, which is only edited during noticed meetings.
- Public Comment (*Time Stamp 1:48:27*)
 - None heard

[Mia Watson asked for unanimous consent to take a 3-minute break at 1:47 pm, which was granted. The group reconvened at 1:50 pm.]

- Bringing the Report Together (*Time Stamp 1:19:55*)
- Credit Issues Subgroup Update (*Time Stamp 1:49:58*)

[Ben Bolaski moved to send the DDA Memo, with changes made during the discussion, to the Commission. At 2:40 pm, the motion was approved 9-0.]

[Pike Porter moved to change language in the LMI Credits Memo to read "Measures installed in or delivered to property owned or rented by a nonprofit organization and said property has a primary purpose is to provide essential housing services to low- or moderate-income individuals or households, and currently receives the nonprofit state and federal funding to provide these services to low and moderate-income individuals or households." at 2:57 pm. At 2:59 pm, Mr. Porter asked unanimous consent to withdraw the motion, which was granted.]

- Public Engagement Subgroup Update (Time Stamp 2:28:50)
- Public Comment (*Time Stamp 2:29:12*)
 - None heard.
- Close (*Time Stamp 2:29:51*)

[The group adjourned by unanimous consent at 2:58 pm ET.]

Meeting Recording

YouTube (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zk gZ9lsdXc)