

**CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
SPECIAL SESSION**

The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 6:30 p.m. on July 13, 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and mandates for social distancing, this meeting was conducted virtually and aired live on CityChannel Dubuque (Mediacom cable channels 8 and 117.2), streamed live on the city's website at www.cityofdubuque.org/media, and streamed live on the City's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/cityofdubuque.

Present: Mayor Buol; Council Members Cavanagh, Jones, Resnick, Roussell, Sprank; City Manager Van Milligen, City Attorney Brumwell

Mayor Buol read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting a work session on Sustainable Dubuque.

**WORK SESSION
SUSTAINABLE DUBUQUE**

Sustainable Communities Coordinator Gina Bell and consultant Ted Redmond with Pale Blue Dot presented the City Council with an update on Sustainable Dubuque and the 50% by 2030 Community Climate Action and Resiliency Plan. Topics included:

- History and purpose of Sustainable Dubuque and the Climate and Resiliency Plan,
- Three phases of engagement,
- Four, in-person workshops co-hosted with community partners,
- Virtual listening sessions and one-on-one interviews with community leaders,
- Dubuque Climate Action Survey categories and results:
 - Climate change,
 - Climate vulnerability and assessment,
 - Climate Risk,
 - Adaptation,
 - Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions and sources,
 - Mitigation,
 - Social cost of carbon.
- The difference between the terms weather and climate,
- Projected climate change impacts: looking back & looking forward,
- Dubuque's climate road ahead: where is summer going?
 - Southward temperature trend of Dubuque's climate 2020 to 2100,
 - Dubuque climate change vulnerabilities: climate risks to population, infrastructure and institutions,
 - Estimated economic risk of climate change to Dubuque by 2100,
 - Estimated localized "social cost of carbon,"
 - Anticipated climate migrant population,
 - New jobs and business development opportunities,

- Climate Action Plan Vision and GHF Reduction Goal
 - Going toward net carbon neutral?
 - Climate Action Plan as a living document; strategies and actions,
 - Breakdown of sector emission reductions,
 - Kick-Start Actions – City Council,
 - Climate actions, implementation and recommendations.

The presenters responded to questions from the City Council following the presentation. Mayor Buol suggested that Ms. Bell include a condensed version of this presentation on the 2021 Growing Sustainable Communities Conference.

There being no further business, Mayor Buol declared the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

[For more information or to view the full Climate Action, please contact Sustainable Communities Coordinator Gina Bell at gbell@cityofdubuque.org or visit www.cityofdubuque.org)

/s/Kevin S. Firnstahl, CMC
City Clerk

1t 7/17