



**Working Group Name: Energy**

**Meeting Date: 2/24/2012**

**Meeting Location: 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW, One Judiciary Square**

**Attendees:** 26 attendees

**Main Points/Discussion:** Meeting 6: Refining the Priorities

Facilitator Michael Yambrach opened the meeting and explained the agenda and process for the meeting. First, a sub-working group would give a brief presentation on a proposal that the group has been studying. There were two primary goals to the meeting. First was to reprioritize the top 25 goals and actions based on input from the joint working groups in the last meeting. Second was to refine in small groups the content, details, and specific language of what the goals mean.

- Q: Will Nina Albert be continuing with the group? A: She had a conflict tonight but may participate more at future meetings.
- Q: How will the prioritization process take place? A: The group will need to consider input from their group and the whole joint working group and consider how to weigh those inputs and if any changes in order of priorities need to be made.

Matthew Slavin from the sub-working group on the proposed DC Energy Conservation Ordinance (ECO) presented briefly on the major points of their legislative proposal. The PowerPoint will be shared with the entire group, but some highlights included the following information. The Goal of ECO is to reinforce a commitment to reduce energy consumption and promote consumer savings. There are many precedents of this type of initiative being put into place in other major cities. ECO as proposed will reinforce the Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU) by creating demand for energy efficiency and creating jobs. The proposal requires property owners to complete energy audits such as at the point of sale and would be effective in 2014. The proposal would apply to all single family homes that are owner occupied, multi-family apartments and commercial and office buildings. The goal of the proposal is to have something that's legislatively achievable and will focus on both the lowest hanging fruit and areas where the greatest potential gains can be achieved. The proposal suggests Level I audits for single family home and Level II for multifamily or commercial properties. Next steps for the group are to evaluate financing, PEPCO data sharing, determine outcomes, refine the proposal and produce a white paper.



Next Michael Yambrach explained the reprioritization exercise based on the input from the joint working groups Meeting 5 voting exercise. Facilitator Bill Updike ran through the top 25 recommended goals and actions and noted where they differed with the top 25 from the joint working groups. The main two differences were id #20 and id #21 on the list. The meeting proceeded with suggestions for changes, combinations and alterations to the overall order of the list. It was suggested to combine the two school curriculum recommendations together into a single goal or action. There were three separate goals for % of renewable energy generation during different time periods, so those goals should all be combined together. Also, it was decided to combine several goals to create a single one for research, #15, #88, #104 and #9 together.

Q: There are different series of rankings on the spreadsheet we're looking at, what do they really mean? A: It's up to us a group to decide how to weigh the input from the whole group against the ideas of the energy group alone.

Comment: On page 24 the communications strategy should be in top 25.

Q: Who feels the 'support the Purple Line' action should be included in the top 25? A: Only one, it will not be moved up in the rankings.

These combinations have left two slots in the list, which other goals or actions should be moved up or combined?

#8 and #16 (by working group rankings) should be combined.

#27 can be combined with energy financing, and #59.

#55 should be moved out of the top 25.

Next the facilitators asked the groups to split into small groups to help assist in refining and providing further detail to the text of the combined and reprioritized goals and actions. Each group took notes on the refined language on how to edit the measures to be more specific.

**Next Steps** Send out copies of CATS/ECO recommendation presentation by Matthew Slavin

**Date for next meeting:** Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6PM

**Location for next meeting:** TENTATIVE: 441 4th St, NW (1 Judiciary Square), Room 1117

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