



AGENDA
ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY (ACES)
JANUARY 9, 2024
5:30 PM
SUPERIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
1500 COALTON ROAD

This meeting will be held in person and online. Members of the public may [participate in the meeting via Zoom](#) or [view the meeting on YouTube](#) (closed captioning available). The recording of the meeting will be made available after the meeting on [YouTube](#) and at [SuperiorColorado.gov](#)

1. Call Meeting to Order (5:32 PM)
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Jim Zarske, John Schallau, Michelle Gazarik, Miles Hoffman, Lisa Barnes, Nikki Hewett, Sarah Nick
Absent: James Lester
Staff present: Alexis Bullen
Town Council Liaison present: Jenn Kaaoush
 - b. Approval of Agenda Michelle moved to approve, Miles seconded, Unanimously approved agenda.
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person)
3. Updates
 - a. Town Council Liaison
 - Introductions were made, including the new Town Council liaison, Jenn Kaaoush, and each of the ACES members.
 - b. Town Staff
 - The **ACES 2025 Workplan** will be presented to the Board at the January 13 meeting.
 - **Waste Contract:** Staff reached out to all of the impacted HOA contacts regarding the new waste contract. Staff and Republic Services will meet in mid-January. A postcard will be sent to residents encouraging individuals to choose cart sizes by the end of January.
 - **Grants:** Superior applied for a Boulder County grant (\$25,000) for waste contract and compost education. Superior did not receive the Colorado Energy Office grant for SCC electrification.
 - Staff members are working to update actions on the dashboard. KPI updates will take a little bit longer as there is a lag time on 2024 data.
 - The Superior website has been updated. Zoom links for meetings are now posted on agendas.
 - “Vision Zero” survey is still online.
 - c. Working Groups



- Operations: Did not meet in January
- Outreach and Education: Did not meet in January. The digital board has arrived.
- Resources: Discussed Home electrification Facebook group for Boulder County, Chamber of commerce engagement, rebates for home electrification, waste contract, potential grants, and one pager on ACES.

4. Discussion Items

a. Events Discussion

- Zero waste at events in 2024, including using reusables, got good feedback from attendees.
- There will be 35 events this year.
- Farmers Market series will start in 2025.
- 2024:
 - Zero-waste information added to event marketing (e.g., bring reusable water bottles)
 - Business vendors were given information on zero-waste requirements and encouraged to plan accordingly.
 - Continued to use receptacles for recycling and trash with instructions
- 2025:
 - Work to improve diversion reports from waste haulers (or weigh waste at event)
 - R cup – fell short in a number of areas (needs improvement or new vendor) – need better signage or service
- The Town needs help with Green Team or equivalent for helping with zero-waste at events. Gift cards for volunteers worked well at Chili Fest.
- In 2024 the total amount spent was \$14,342, including purchasing recycling and compost zero-waste stations.
- The Town needs help with training volunteers and signage for waste stations.
- Zero waste: focus on 4th of July and Chili & Beer Fest in 2025.

b. ACES Communications Plan

- The Outreach WG will work on messages for each major event and discuss this at next meeting

c. Town EnergySmart Rebates

- Superior has \$20,000 for rebates
- Louisville had \$20,000 in 2024 and the money lasted until December.
- Alexis requested feedback about whether we should use our budget to follow what Louisville did with EnergySmart. General consensus was that Louisville numbers are useful since their program was successful in 2024 and the rebates lasted, but were also expended.



- Staff and ACES will both consider how to promote rebates.
 - d. Go Electric Colorado (GECO) Presentation
 - Paul Bousquet attended the meeting to discuss what GECO can do to help with electrification.
 - Miles discussed how he worked with GECO.
 - [Go Electric Colorado.org](http://GoElectricColorado.org) is the website to book a meeting.
 - GECO was started by engineering people who were electrifying their homes and wanted to share their experience with others. They provide free consulting (mostly virtually).
 - Paul would like to see the communities of Louisville, Lafayette and Superior work together with GECO on a pilot project.
 - Paul mentioned the Municipal investment fund – accepting proposals for \$250K grant for planning (56 total) and later 10 communities will get \$2 Million for implementation. Alexis will reach out to her colleagues from other towns to discuss whether to pursue this grant.
 - e. ACES Working Groups - What's Working/What's Not
 - It would be helpful to have a description of each Working Group
 - Working Groups need to be task/action oriented
 - Decide on tasks for each Working Group during ACES meetings.
 - Working Groups could meet as needed, keeping optional monthly meetings on the calendar.
 - It was suggested that we have a 15-minute agenda item at ACES meetings to assign tasks to Working Groups.
 - f. ACES chair and vice chair elections
 - Miles moved to elect James Zarske as Chair, Michelle seconded, and he was unanimously elected.
 - Miles moved to elect Nikki Hewett as Vice Chair, Lisa seconded, and she was unanimously elected. She accepted the role as a 30 day trial. ACES will revisit the topic of Vice Chair elections as part of the February agenda.
5. Adjourn (7:31)

Action Item	Assigned to	Date Due
Draft messages for major 2025 events	Outreach and Education Working Group	February ACES meeting