

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Decorah Sustainability Commission  
City Council Chambers / City Hall

Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at **5:00pm**

Electronic meeting pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8 – In circumstances where such a meeting is impossible or impractical due to concerns about COVID-19 and social distancing for the safety of Council members and the public.

In support of Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds' proclamation declaring a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency, the Decorah City Hall will be open. However, seating will be limited to ensure proper social distancing. Seating will be available on a first-come, first served basis for the October 21, 2020 Sustainability Commission meeting. However, the meeting will be made available telephonically. The public will be able to hear and participate in the Commission meeting by calling:

### **Special Instructions for participation:**

The meeting can be joined virtually by computer or smartphone at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87583034144?pwd=TXFwcUNQYVlhNDJHOXVOeVh2cjJjdz09>

If you would like to call in for an audio only please use either of the following numbers: (929)205-6099 or (312)626-6799  
When prompted the meeting ID is **875 8303 4144**

Please note – a special meeting passcode is required to join the meeting: **478286**

For special accommodations or accessibility, please call City Hall, 563.382.3651 prior to 4:00pm on Wednesday, October 21, 2020.

## **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

1. Call to order
2. Consider approval of minutes from the September 23, 2020 regular meeting
3. Update from groups that have conducted further research about various action items:
  - a. Jim: Action item ED1, which is about the city hosting quarterly visioning sessions
    - i. The Mayor and the Sustainability Commission will co-host a meeting via Zoom for local leaders on November 17 from 5-6 pm about Covid-19 response and the impact of the epidemic on economic development.
  - b. Jim and Ben: Action item E8, which is about Installing EV charging stations in city parking lots and on streets in the commercial district.
  - c. Jeremy and Brent: Action item W3, which is about installing public recycling facilities in downtown business areas
  - d. Ann, Molly, and Brent: Action item S2, which is about housing issues
  - e. Ann (and others): Action item CO1, which is about developing a comprehensive communication plan for the City of Decorah
4. Consider for Action:
  - a. A draft resolution to the City Council regarding Action item E3, which is about establishing a task force to study establishing a municipal electric utility.
5. Other business
  - a. Wednesday, November 18, 5:00 – 6:30 pm, [Woodwell Climate Research Center](#) (formerly Woods Hole Research Center) presentation via Zoom: Tentative title: "Climate Change and Flood Resilience in Decorah." Sole focus of the commission meeting scheduled for that day; City Council and other city leaders/staff invited to attend.
6. Adjourn

**Purpose**

*The purpose of the Sustainability Commission shall be to advise the City Council and recommend action on policies and practices that relate to the sustainable use and management of our collective resources, including both human and environmental, as well as our economic resources. The Sustainability Commission will help to ensure that such resources will be sustained and continue to provide for a high quality of life for present and future generations of Decorah doing so by following the processes outlined in the Decorah Sustainability Plan and updating the plan accordingly every 5 years.*